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DRESS REHEARSAL

Sth American sides end game all-square

WORLD champion Argentina and Brazil met in a competitive match for the first time for four years last Sunday at Olympic Park, but from every point of view the game flopped miserably.

What should have been the highlight of the Bicentennial Gold Cup was more a Mexican standoff than a highly skilled confrontation between two of international football's keenest rivals.

On a pitch that had the consistency of a rice-pudding, the game gradually resolved itself into a grinding midfield battle, with players concentrating as much on keeping their feet as on beating an opponent.

Surprisingly enough for two such formidable South American opponents, the emphasis by both sides was on defence at all costs, with the result that neither goalkeeper had a worthwhile shot to save all day.

Both coaches, Brazil's Carlos Alberto Silva and Argentina's Carlos Bilardo, surprisingly declared themselves satisfied with the result and both blamed the gluepot of a pitch for the game's lack of expertise.

Considering the good weather conditions, the tiny crowd of only 13,000 was a big disappointment, but no doubt many stayed away due to the ludicrous decision to televise the match live in Victoria as well as in the rest of the country.

The result couldn't have been better from Australia's point of view.

Argentina has only two points from its two games, and if Australia can only draw tonight it will enter theCup-Final against Brazil at the world champions' expense.

However, Australia's chances have received a heavy body blow with the news that Oscar Crino, the star of Australia's game with Brazil will almost certainly miss the game with a foot injury.

His Footscray teammate Vlado Bozinovski will probably take his place in the midfield.

For all the Gold Cup details, turn to pages 8 and 9.

LIONS DOOMED, JUVE HOPEFUL

IN the only two NSL games played in round 23 on Sunday, Wollongong snuffed out Brisbane Lions' lingering hopes of avoiding relegation with a stunning 6-1 win.

Marshall Soper became only the second player this season to score four goals in one game.

The clash between relegation rivals APIA Leichhardt and Preston Makedonia ended all square, a result that doesn't do Juventus' chances any harm at all.

You will find all the NSL details on Page 4.

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SNIPPETS

By LES SHORROCK

THERE could not have been a more relieved man in Victoria than George Wallace when the VSF waved goodbye to the Argentinian squad last week, unless you include Jose Montes.

The usually genial George, Executive Director of the VSF, threw up his hands late on Sunday, and who could blame him?

The Argentinians' tantrums had driven George and interpreter Jose to distraction in the forty-eight hours leading up to Sunday's game.

My broadcasting colleague Jose, himself an Argentinian by birth was overjoyed when the Federation asked him to be liaison officer for the world champions. But by Sunday, he too was having second thoughts about the honour.

"They've made an ass of me," he said, in slightly different terms.

The fun began on the Friday, when the Argentinians arrived from Adelaide. Their constant theme was "we are the world champions and we must always be number one".

On arriving at their hotel, they were aghast to find that the Brazilians were in the same building.

With all the junketing that was going on, it transpired that the only VSF official in sight was poor Tim White, the VSF Director of coaching and all their wrath descended on him.

They demanded (after reluctantly agreeing to stay in the hotel) that their double rooms be changed to singles.

Tim agreed. Then they wanted beer with their lunch.

Tim agreed and signed for stubbies of Fosters all round.

"I've just doubled the budget," he said, "I'll probably get the sack next week."

But that was only the prelude.

When the teams arrived at Olympic Park for the actual game, the Argentinians were furious when they were allotted dressing room number two.

After a prolonged discussion in three corridor they got their way, and in they went.

Score Argentinia 1 Olympic Park 0.

But the teams using the number one dressing room come out of the tunnel at the Swan Street end of the ground and use the bench at that end.

"No way," said the Argentinians, "we'll use the benches at the river end, but we won't change dressing rooms either."

And to emphasise the point they brought out their huge equipment bags and chained them to the bench at the river end.

There were no bolt-cutters available, but four stalwart Olympic Park stewards solved that impasse by picking up the benches and swapping them for the ones at the Swan Street end, chains, bags and all and the sixteen or so Argentinian reserves went out and sat meekly at that end.

Score Argentinia 1 Olympic Park 1.

Every time something or other displeased them the Argentinians would threaten not to play.

Shades of Santos in 1972, they demanded their deposit before they went on to the ground. (Could it be that the ASF's reputation as a slow payer has reached Buenos Aires?

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THE Argentinian affair wasn't the only problem to face ASF president Sir Arthur George when he arrived in Melbourne last Friday.

He also had a threatened players' strike to cope with too.

He must have thought he was back in Hong Kong in '74, on the way to the World Cup in West Germany.

Then it was Rale Rasic the Socceroo coach who wanted a rise, and we all know how that ended, when the Socceroos got back home Rasic was sacked.

This time there was a happier outcome, the players had their disgraceful Olympic Games daily allowance of $15 upped to $100.

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NOT all that has gone wrong with this farcical affair has been the fault of the Argentinians, of course.

The utter ineptitude of English promoters Pascoe Nally has been beyond belief.

As usual on these occasions the promotion has been in the hands of a couple of snooty misses with absolutely no knowledge of soccer and completely lacking in promotional nous.

The accreditation procedure was an absolute farce which resulted in an "Age" photographer being barred from the ground whilst impostors who will never have a picture published anywhere, strolled unhindered up and down the running track snapping away happily with their Kodak Instamatics.

The jerk who had the cheek to write to the aforementioned Pascoe Nally describing himself as Melbourne's leading soccer journalist (he appears in a throwaway rag in the Northern suburbs) was wandering, camera in hand and actually stood behind me at one time as I was working, wanting a chat until I told him to PO quick.

Why, oh why, can't a press liaison officer be appointed for these occasions?

What is needed is someone in the industry who knows all the real journos and photographers and could sort the sheep from the goats.

Why when they applied for passes, weren't all these applicants asked for samples of their recent work to prove their bonafides?

A friendly mole gave me a peek at the list of accreditations and I nearly split my sides laughing.

One fellow on the list has been declared legally blind!

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WHEN this ill-advised, poorly promoted junket is over, the ordure will really hit the fan when the bills come in.

Who will be able to justify the employment of a person to promote the tournament at a cost of $1500 a week for ten weeks and who came back from a five day visit to Brazil without a single photograph or shred of media information that was worth printing?

And it's not only the Press that feels short-changed either.

Lots of soccer fans who bought their tickets early were screaming with rage when they picked up their TV guides and learned that the ABC was going to screen the Brazil v Argentinia match live in Melbourne.

Why wasn't Victoria embargoed for the Olympic Park matches?

The Bicentennial Authority is up in arms too.

The ASF went cap in hand to Sport '88, the Authority's sport and recreation programme and received a sponsorship grant of $100,000.

It got the grant, Sport 88's recent media release explains, for three reasons.

1. The level of competition was to be better than eve rpreviously seen in Australia.
2. The Gold Cup would become a major event within the year long Sport 88 calender.
3. Without the Bicentenary Australia would not be able to host the Gold Cup.

Pascoe Nally has admitted that Sport 88 is the only organisation in Australia that has sponsored the Gold Cup in monetary terms.

But now the Authority is peeved that the organisers have gone back on their promises made in the sponsorship proposal.

In the proposal "support sponsors" were promised two perimeter avertising boards in each of the six stadium where Gold Cups were played.

As Sport 88's media release puts it...

"At a recent meeting, the ABA was informed by the organisers that it would have no perimeter signage because 'you are not a sponsor, you just gave us a government grant'.

"It's worth a laugh to think that without 'just a government grant' nobody in Australia would have the opportunity to watch the world class competition in this month's Bicentennial Gold Cup," concludes the press release rather bitterly.

It makes you think doesn't it?

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WAS Pele over-protected whilst he was here?

I only ask the question because like the players I was baffled by the fact that he didn't come out to meet the teams on Thursday night.

The ASF ought to know that there are some Socceroos sick with disappointment that they weren't presented to the famous man.

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ISN'T it a giggle the way the Australian media that never does anything for Australian Soccer (and that goes for Channel Two as well) falls over itself when someone of the stature of Pele shows up.

The "Australian" actually sent cricket writer Terry Brindle to Adelaide for that Rundle Street appearance, but good Yorkshireman Terry rather fumbled that one.

Someone should have told him that the Black Pearl was Eusebio, not Pele.

Still, it all went off pretty well, even though the Offside Club's PR seems to exist to promote aerial ping-pong personalities.

I was under the impression that the Offside Club was formed to promote soccer.

It was a wonder some local oaf didn't want Pele photographed holding a footy... they tried to do it to Bobby Charlton!

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Soccer is suddenly big news again in the United States, following FIFA's announcement, timed for Independence Day, that it had granted the 1994 World Cup Finals to the USA.

Every major newspaper in the country greeted the news rapturously, and the New York Times made it a front page story, with its Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Dave Anderson even designing to write his first-ever soccer story.

Twelve American cities ai. scheduled to host the 52 games in the '94, and the game will be seen for the first time ever in the largest and most prestigious stadia in the country.

The world famous Rose Bowl in California will have its gridiron markings temporarily obliterated, along with the Cotton Bowl in Dallas, the Joe Robbie Stadium in Miami, Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Soldier Field in Chicago and many, many more.

And those stadiums that don't already have grass surfaces have agreed to rip up the artificial stuff and replace with the real thing.

The game was moribund in the States, after the demise of the Cosmos in 1985, and the Soccer Federation realises that in the next six years it must work hard to re-establish the code, so that even after the euphoria of the World Cup has died away, the game will go on.

There are three small semi-pro leagues struggling to exist in the States at the moment.

They are the Lone Star League of Texas, the Western Soccer Alliance, based in Los Angeles and the American Soccer League which has ten teams in two divisions, operating on the east coast between Miami and New York.

The ASL is the biggest League, each team having an operating budget of $US250,000, and a player payroll of $US50,000.

It is rather similar in its scope to our own NSL, but of course airfares are much cheaper in the States.

If the 1994 World Cup can, in the words of the US Soccer Federation, catapult world class soccer to the forefront of American sports consciousness", the wheel will have turned full circle for American soccer.

The North American Soccer League was instigated in 1967 by Texas oil billionaire Lamar Hunt who was fired with enthusiasm for the game after watching the 1966 World Cup.

The problem then was that soccer started at the top, by importing has-beens from Europe who gradually milked the game dry.

This time, says Thorn Meredith of the US Federation, the game will be built from the grass-roots up.

The main item now on the USSF's annual general meeting in Philadelphia on July 29 will be the formation of a national league.

Let us hope for the sake of world soccer that they get it right this time.

As a German delegate to FIFA said at the time of the World Cup anouncement, "the US has been a blank spot for far too long on the international soccer scene".

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR
Port Melbourne Soccer Club

Dear Sir

Mr Les Shorrock,

On behalf of Port Melb. Soccer Club first we would like to congratulate you for a great job you are doing with your paper SOCCER STAR.

Will you please publish this letter in your paper.

Port Melbourne has made history for The Reserves by winning 9 games in a row.

This year the Reserves have been coached by "The Magician" ex Hellas player and coach of the Juniors for the past 20 years, his name is George Karakyrimakos.

All the boys at the club love him.

Thanking you very much.

The Manager,
K. Orfanos.

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AT LONG LAST — FOOTSCRAY BUILDS

By LAURIE SCHWAB of The Age

CONSTRUCTION of Footscray's JUST'S long awaited social club premises starts next week.

It will be big enough to accommodate 1,000 people and will include cover for about 700 spectators at the front of the building.

A separate grandstand will be built later where the press box now is.

Builders Alf Bulic and Ken Knight head a six-man group which successfully took over Footscray JUST last weekend.

JUST members agreed to privatisation about two months ago and it has taken until now to do the necessary paperwork.

The new owners have taken over JUST debts — believed to be about $200,000 — and will provide the capital for the social club premises.

The $1,000,000 operation will provide JUST with a guaranteed income from food and drink sales, social functions and the hiring out of the building.

Plans for a social club at Schintler Reserve were first drawn up more than 20 years ago, but it has taken the drive of Bulic and Knight to come up with something concrete.

Privatisation was attempted two years ago by the then president, Tony Amon, but the members rejected the proposal. They finally relented when they realised that without a massive injection of funds, the club could make no headway.

From next year, the club will be known as Melbourne JUST in order to please the Melbourne City Council, which is supporting the development plans. Bulic stresses that the club will continue to be run for the Yugoslav community but that it also welcomes people of other nationalities.

Mirsad Fazlagic is almost certain to renew his coaching contract for the 1989 season and the club will further strengthen the team, with the aim of challenging for the 1989 National League championship.

Meanwhile, JUST meets Marconi in Sydney on Wednesday night.

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EMBARRASSMENT OF RICHES
The sky is the limit for Frank Arok's Socceroos.

With Scott Ollerenshaw in attack last Saturday at the expense of John Kosmina, Australia's forward line was faster and more mobile than it had ever been.

Robbie Slater of Sydney Croatia impressed when he came on as a substitute, setting up Frank Farina's second goal against Saudi Arabia and displaying the speed, commitment and sheer power which makes him a big threat to the more established strikers.

Then there is David Mitchell, who will be back for the Olympic Games and Eddie Krncevic who will play in the World Cup elimination games against New Zealand and Israel next year.

What a collection of forwards — and we haven't yet mentioned Graham Arnold and Paul Trimboli!

Vlado Bozinovski of Footscray JUST has impressed in his two appearances as a substitute, against Brazil and Saudi Arabia, giving Arok the option of using Bozinovski as a fourth midfielder, alongside Alan Davidson, Oscar Crino and Paul Wade, or as a replacement should one of the regulars be injured.

Mike Petersen will also come into contention when he recovers from a groin injury.

Gary van Egmond of JUST, who is yet to get a run, and Alex Tobin of Adelaide City are more than capable understudies for defenders Robbie Dunna nd Wally Savor, whilst Angie Postecoglou is the back-up to left back Graham Jennings.

Postecoglou also can play left midfield.

There is double cover for every position in the team.

Alan Davidson, Dunn or Andy Koczka could deputise for Charlie Yankos in the sweeper's position, for example, and there is Mike Gibson of St George to take Jeff Olver's goalkeeping position should it be necessary.

The Socceros are fast, tall, strong, skilful and tactically adaptable.

They can play it short through the midfield via Oscar Crino, Davidson, Paul Wade and the full backs; they can play longer, straight to the strikers; they can play so relentlessly tight that opponents are squeezed out of the game; they can tangle with the best of them in the air and they can handle any playing surface.

Let's hope they don't have a sudden form reversal against Argentina in Sydney tonight.

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● Dave Mitchell, back for the Olympics?

VICTORIAN INDOOR SOCCER ASSOCIATION INC.

1988 COLOSSUS OIL INDOOR SOCCER STATE LEAGUE 6/7/88 Round 5

TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	G/D	A	Pts
Reservoir Grasshoppers	5	5	0	0	26	11	15	15
Geelong Strikers	5	3	0	2	29	11	15	11
Thomastown Crushers	5	3	0	2	23	18	5	11
Bayswater Cinzano	5	2	0	3	28	21	4	0
Corio Cats	5	2	0	3	18	23	-8	9
Knox Lotto	5	0	0	5	12	46	-34	5

THOMASTOWN CRUSHERS 6, GEELONG STRIKERS 5

IN a tight first half both sides created many scoring opportunities, but wasted their chances with poor shooting and good goalkeeping.

Ivan Fujto scored the only goal in the first half but dominated in the second, scoring a hat-trick.

This was not before George Dimovski equalised for the Strikers.

The Crushers then raced to a 5-1 lead with goals to Ernie Boin and Steve Hackett.

The Strikers fought back with a hat-trick to Robbie Noggler and a goal to Dinko Uljar but Fujto finished off their come back with a late goal.

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RESERVOIR GRASSHOPPERS 6, KNOX LOTTO 0

GRASSHOPPERS easily outplayed Knox Lotto and had it not been for goalkeeper Lou Petrou could have won by a cricket score.

John Metasax ran rampant through the Knox defence scoring four goals in the game.

He was well supported by the Carvalho Bros. and the Demelo Bros.

The two goalies, Steve Di Carado and Con Grbevski had a quite game and easily dealt with the few shots Knox could manage.

Newcomer Tony Gomes created chances for his team mates and captain Jose Ribeiro added strength to an already powerful defence.

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BAYSWATER CINZANO 7, CORIO CATS 0

CINZANO found the going very easy against an undermanned Corio Cats.

Herbert Castillo excelled for Cinzano scoring a hat-trick, and creating the goal of the match for Paul Jameson with a lovely series of one-twos.

The Cats offered no resistance and the reliable John Siketa was helpless in goal.

Only Anthony Siketa showed any fight for the Cats who now face the possibility of missing the finals.

Thomastown Crushers 6 (Fujto 4, Hackett, Boin). Geelong Strikers 5 (Noggler 3, Uljar, Dimovski).

Reservoir Grasshoppers 6 (Metaxas 4, F. Carvalho, V. Carvalho).

Knox Lotto 0, Bayswater Cinazno 7 (Castillo 3, Lepre 2, Jameson, Middleton).

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NATIONAL LEAGUE ROUND-UP

ROUND TWENTY-THREE DETAILS

APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (Phillips 34th) PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (Petrov 44th)

At Lambert Park, Sunday. Crowd 589. Referee R. Davies. Sent off Stewart (Apia). Cautions Reynolds, McKinna (Apia), Petrov, Smith (P.M)

APIA LEICHHARDT: Pezzano — De Marigny, Bertogna, Stewart, Reynolds — Tredinnick (Bundalo 68th), Phillips, Zajmi (Brown 79th), Butler — R. Brown, McKinna. Coach Rale Rasic.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Traianides — Roodhouse, Jackson, Tasevski, Piculovski — Jolevski, Stewart, Petrov, Campbell — Stevenson (Dimovski 79th), Smith. Coach Andon Doncevski.

WOLLONGONG 6 (Soper 12th, 58th, 69th, 76th, Ratcliffe 76th, Crainie 88th) BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Wheeler 89th)

At Brandon Park, Sunday. Crowd 1284. Referee T. Seacy.

WOLLONGONG: Young — Skeen, Ratcliffe, Vlietstra, Hollifield — Morlando, Ainsworth (Cokely 80th), Kotamanidis (Stefanovski 75th), Crainie — Soper, Easthorpe. Coach John Fleming.

BRISBANE LIONS: Kearton — Cummings, Lowey, Mengotti, Niven — Clarkson, Ogden, Cole, Stewart — Wheeler, Druery. Coach Frank Liddell.

NSL REPORTS

Soper slays Lions

WOLLONGONG 6 (Soper 13th, 58th, 69th, 76th, Ratcliffe 6th, Crainie 88th) BRISBANE 1 (Wheeler 85th

MAN OF THE MATCH: ●●● MARSHALL SOPER

FORMER international striker Marshall Soper scored four of the goals as Wollongong City out-classed Brisbane Lions 6-1 at Brandon Park, Wollongong.

Signed on loan from Sydney Olympic five weeks ago and having his first full game in two months, Soper demoralised the Brisbane defence.

Defenders were chasing shadows for most of the game and only the ability of teenage goalkeeper Jason Kearton saved his team from a heavier defeat.

Wollongong made it clear it meant business from the start and dominated midfield before predictably taking the lead after just six minutes.

Peter Kotamanidis took a corner on the right wing and an unmarked David Ratcliffe powered a header into the Lions' net.

Seven minutes later Soper opened his account, again from a Kotamanidis corner, and even at that stage Brisbane looked down and out.

Despite having led 2-0 at halftime, the Wollongong players received a blast from coach John Fleming.

Fleming said he was far from happy with his team to that stage.

"They sat back and took things easy after scoring the second goal and I made it very clear they had to wake up or replacements would be made," Fleming said.

That pep talk paid dividends with Soper making it 3-0 from yet another Kotamanidis corner in the 58th minute.

It was the elusive Soper who grabbed number four — hammering the ball home aftermidfielder Danny Crainie hit the woodwork with a 20-metre drive.

With Brisbane reeling at the second-half onslaught, Sopor made it 5-0 with a shot from 10 metres then the visitors scored a consolation goal from David Wheeler with five minutes left.

A great defence-splitting ball from Wolves fullback Mike Hollifield created Wollongong's sixth goal.

Hollifield found Soper with a 40-metre pass, Soper went to the byline and his low cross was smashed home by Crainie.

Soper said after the game it was the second time he had scored four goals in an NSL game, the other occasion being for Apia against Wollongong in 1982.

The victory was Wollongong's biggest since entering the League in 1981 and has moved it to joint second on the table.

On Saturday they travel to Brisbane for a return 'bout' with the Lions.

● Marshall Soper

HOW THEY STAND

NSL LADDER

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SYDNEY CROATIA	22	14	2	6	33	25	30
MARCONI	22	11	7	4	41	21	29
WOLLONGONG	22	11	7	4	36	25	29
SOUTH MELBOURNE	22	11	7	4	32	26	29
GEORGE CROSS	22	10	4	8	34	34	24
St. George	22	10	3	9	38	31	23
Melbourne Croatia	22	8	6	8	24	24	22
Sydney Olympic	22	7	7	8	23	20	21
Adelaide City	22	7	7	8	30	32	21
Footscray	22	5	9	8	31	30	19
APIA Leichhardt	23	6	7	10	23	31	19
Preston Makedonia	23	3	11	9	22	35	17
Brunswick Juventus	22	5	5	12	25	35	15
Brisbane Lions	22	4	4	14	25	48	12

YOUTH LEAGUE FIXTURES

Saturday July 16

GEORGE CROSS v CAULFIELD CITY
JUVENTUS v CLARINDA
SOUTH MELBOURNE v WAV/MULGRAVE

Sunday July 17

NUNAWADING CITY v FOOTSCRAY
OAKLEIGH v MELBOURNE CROATIA
HEIDELBERG V CLIFTON HILL

LEADING GOALSCORERS

15. Farina (Marc)
12. Spink (Foots)
11. Lewis (Mel.Cro. 2 pens)
10. Maxwell (Adcity)
Nastevski (Marc)
Ollerenshaw (St.G)
Palatsides (Juve. 5 pens)
9. Arnold (Syd.Cro)
Egan (Juve)
Lamond (Syd.Cro)
7. Dimoski (Foots)
Easthorpe (Woll)
Phillips (APIA)
Postecoglou (S.M 3 pens)
Trimboli (S.M)
6. Kosmina (Syd.O)
Markovski (G.X)
Wright (S.M)
5. Brodnik (Woll)
Crino (Foots)
Meredith (Lions)
Saad (Olymp) (2 pens)
Smith (P.M)
Vidmar (Adcity)
White (Mel.Cro)
4. Brazil (Woll)
Campelj (G.X)
Clark (G.X)
Crainie (Woll)
Gray (Marc)
Hagan (St.G)
Koczka (St.G)
Melta (4 pens)
Mullen (Adcity)
Stewart J (P.M)
Stewart R (Lions 3 pens)
Slater (Syd Cr)
Soper (Woll)
Tasios (S.M)
3. Bundalo (Apia)
Bozinovski (Foots)
Carter (G.X)
Clinch (S.Cro)
Druery (Lions)
Gomez (Marc)
Lennon (G.X)
Lightbown (Lions)
McLaren (G.X)
Markovac (G.X)
Mengotti (Lions)
Milosevic (Mel Cr.)
Parton (G.X)
Petrov (P.M)
Stevenson (P.M)
Taliodoros (S.M)
Wheeler (Lions)
2. Ainsworth (Woll) (1pen)
Biskic (Mel Cr)
Brown R (APIA)
Campbell (P.M)
Dwyer (Lions)
Fabrizio (Foots)
Fletcher (St.G)
Francis (Woll)
Ilic (St.G)
Lowe (Marc)
McKinna (APIA)
Moffitt (St.Geo)
Ogden (Lions)
Patalis (Syd.O)
Pontidas (Syd.O)
Villani (Adcity)

WORRIES FADE FOR APIA

APIA LEICHHARDT 1 (Phillips 34th) PRESTON 1 (Petrov 44th)

MAN OF THE MATCH: ●●● HILTON PHILLIPS

ALTHOUGH Apia Leichhardt is not out of the relegation woods, a precious goal from striker Hilton Phillips relieved its serious worries as it battled to a 1-1 draw with Preston at Lambert Park in Sydney.

But it suffered two damaging reverses when referee Rob Davies severely dealt with two defenders.

Kurt Reynolds was booked to foul play in the 85th minute and, three minutes later, Darren Stewart was red-carded on a charge of serious foul play.

Whilst Stewart will miss out on two weeks, former Young Socceroo captain Reynolds won't play again this year, having already amassed 32 penalty points for the season.

Apia can thank a hot and cold performance for missing the full points.

"We came for a point and expected them to try for two to get them fully clear of relegation," Preston coach Andon Doncevski said.

"The point will lift our morale ready for the next home game against Brisbane Lions, and will give us the chance to leave Brunswick in the other relegation spot along with Lions."

Apia's Rale Rasic said that he sympathised with his own players over an outcome that should have gone their way.

Certainly Apia fashioned the better chances, but just prior to the final six minutes their midfielder Terry Butler skimmed his shot over the crossbar when a winning goal was right on the cards.

Although the game was rugged and fast, three players produced eleven back heels, mirroring Socceroo Oscar Crino's splendid effort in Saturday's Saudi Arabia match at Parramatta Stadium.

Phillips' 34th minute goal for Apia came from a beautifully taken header following a long cross from Rod Brown on the left touch line.

Apia immediately settled down to dominate play, but a mix-up in the Apia goal mouth saw midfielder George Petrov drive hard and low for a 44th minute equaliser.

Apia lost momentum after the break and only at the end did it look like improving on the ultimate 1-1 scoreline.

Yellow cards went to Apia's Lawrie McKinna, Reynolds and Stewart (also a red), and to Preston's Petrov and Steve Smith.

"It's a steal" says Brian Brown

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NOT YET TOP OF THE HEAP

By BOB BRIAN of the Melbourne Herald

WHEN one thinks of Brazil one automatically thinks of the magical Pele, Vava, Didi, Garinaha and so on and the silky soccer which captivated the world in the 1950s.

It is only natural, therefore, that the Brazil of today will be compared with those giants and equally certain that it will be no contest.

Whether it is right to do this at a time when the game has changed so much is open to question. But we can look at the skills and attitude and no doubt wish to bring back the good old days.

This Brazilian squad is only just starting out and, as their leaders are fond of saying: "Pele was unknown when we took him to Sweden in 1958. They were all unknown at one time or another."

All this is, of course, true and it is no doubt unfair to compare Muller, for instance, with Pele. One, in fact, wonders how the great man would perform against packed defences, which have become the blight of soccer entertainment — probably better than anyone else around today although Pele may not have scored as many goals as he did when the only fear was not losing but not winning with style.

Perhaps when 1990 comes and goes and the stars of the World Cup in Italy have become clearly etched in the minds of soccer fans everywhere, we in Australia will be able to recall their performance in the Bicentennial Gold Cup.

Already some are marked out for special attention.

I have been impressed with the goalkeeper Taffarel, who has acquired the nerve to come out of his goal to collect corners regardless of the competition for the ball. This is no South American trait and marks him as someone special.

Giovani is a mid-fielder of considerable talent and determination. He uses the ball well and is prepared to fight for it. I can see him becoming a key man in Brazil's battle to regain the World Cup.

Muller and Romario are well on the way to forming a deadly double act, while Valdo is a tireless worker and Nelsinho already looks as if he has the talent and flair to become a big favorite.

Of course, it wouldn't be Brazil if it wasn't packed with players of considerable ability. Skill comes as naturally to them as breathing and what we are seeing now is only the first stages in their growth.

Even then it is a squad of considerable talent. As coach Carlos Alberto Silva says: "This is a transition for us. We are here to learn about our strengths and weaknesses and to build a team for the Olympic Games and World Cup.

"While it is important to win the Gold Cup, we also have to think of the future.

"We have many more games to play before September and Seoul. Every one is vital to our plans."

Tonight (Thursday) we will know if Australia has qualified for the Gold Cup final and a re-match with Brazil, which beat it by the narrowest of margins is an earlier game.

On the evidence of the two games Brazil played prior to last night's clash with Saudi Arabia, it was not beyond the bonds of possibility that Australia could win a contest with Brazil.

There is no lack of confidence and determination. In fact coach Frank Arok's only problem was with fitness. It has been a hard grind for the part-time Socceroos and they must have felt the physical strain.

Also I am sure we haven't seen the best of Brazil yet. In the first game against Australia, they seemed determined to play within themselves and lost their grip on the game.

Australia took command, but I had the feeling that Brazil was happy to stroll along and let Australia do all the running.

It was a great performance by Australia, but the pitch suited them and not the Brazilians and, for that reason, I am not prepared to accept the Brazilian performance at face value.

Against Argentina, they were again on the receiving end for most of the game and yet their goal was never in any real danger.

It appears that Silva is quite prepared to surrender control of the ball for long periods, confident that he has the defence to deal with anything.

It is not the Brazilian way, which is why the current crop of players won't stand comparison with the greats of the past. Not at the moment anyway.

But the World Cup is a long way away. By 1990 perhaps Renato, Muller, Douglas, Nolainho, Valdo will trip off the tongue just as readily as Pele, Didi, Vava, Garrincha and so on.

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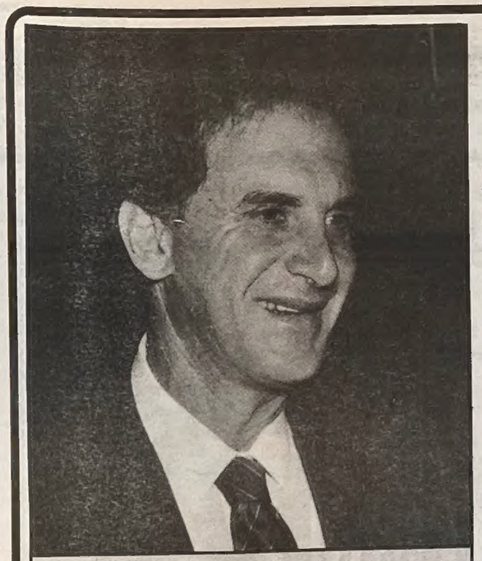

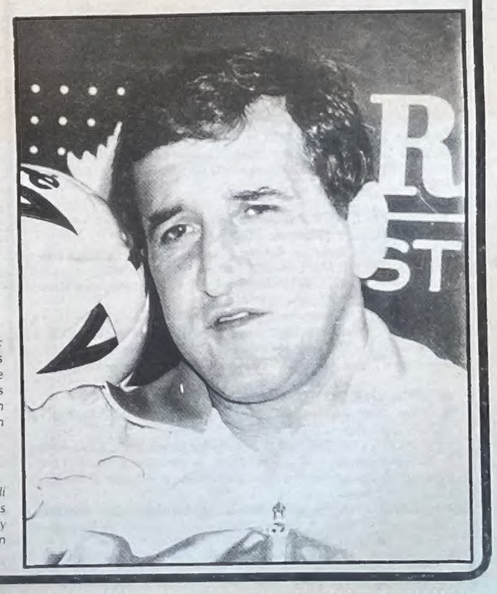

● *TOP LEFT: Brazilian coach Carlos Alberto Silva... "This is a transition for us. We are here to learn about our strengths and weaknesses.*

● *MIDDLE LEFT: The Socceroo's Frank Arok... had every confidence in his "mince machine" going into today's game against Argentina.*

● *BOTTOM LEFT: Argentina's Carlos Bilardo... today's game "the definitive fixture as it will decide which team will play Brazil in the final."*

● *RIGHT: Saudi Arabian coach, Carlos Alberto Pereira... quietly confident of causing an upset.*

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ROUND NINETEEN DETAILS

BULLEEN 0 WESTERN SUBURBS 2 (Tuck 28th, Williams 54th)
At the Veneto Club, Saturday. Referee M. Gaut. Caution Trogrlic (B).
BULLEEN: Contini 7 — Marsan 7, Krajacic 6, Curulli 6, Curcio 6 (Bozikas 75th) — Trogrlic 6, Ruccia 5, Keenan 5, Avian 5, Angele 6 — Lujic 7. Coach Jimmy Rooney.
WESTERN SUBURBS: Tachiris 9 — Hamill 8, Kountouris 8, Pender 9, Esposito 9 — Williams 9 (Markovski 65th), Kopsaftis 7, Dimovski 9, Metaxas 8 — Daley 9, Tuck 10. Coach Kaz Kulak.
Ansett best player award: Tuck (W.S) 3, Pender (W.S) 2, Tachiris (W.S) 1.

MARIBYRNONG 2 (Bonk 5th pen. Watson 86th) ST ALBANS 5 (Duzel 20th, Kelic 40th, 78th, Kupresak 65th, Susnjara 74th).
at Raleigh Reserve, Saturday. Referee A. Frangou. Cautions Colina, Macasevic (St. Albans)
MARIBYRNONG: Kostrazewa 6 — Lipiarski 7, Chetcuti 7, Innes 6, Smolarek 7 — Baran 6, Czapnik 5, Watson 5, Bonk 5 — Warszawski 6, De Bono 5 (Lakic 70th). Coach Jim McIntyre.
ST ALBANS: Grgic 8 (Rados 80th) — Dragovic 7, Colina 8 (Cuze 75th), Gagula 8, Macasevic 6 — Kupresak 8, Rastocic 7, Susnjara 6, Maretic 6 — Duzel 9, Kelic 7. Coach Tony Vrzina.
Anset best player award: Duzel (St A) 3, Kupresak (St A) 2, Gagula (St. A) 1.

BOX HILL 1 (McArthur 70th pen.) OAKLEIGH 1 (Murphy 55th)
At Wembley Park, Saturday. Referee C. Ellis. Caution McArthur (B.H).
BOX HILL: McKinlay 7 — McArthur 7, Hanley 6, Martinucci 7, Roodhouse 9 — Davidson 8, Burton 6, Brimmer 6, Campbell 6 (HT Mozzina) — Thomas 6, Aretis 9. Coach John Brown.
OAKLEIGH: Kardamitsis 6 — Nicolaidis 6, Gavardinas 6, Henderson 7, Grutzmacher 6 — Livingston 6, Ross 6, Halford 9, Zagoutis (Stamatis 38th, 5) — Ward (Gavardinas. N. 10th 6), Murphy 5. Coach Takis Sviggos.
Ansett best player award: Aretis (B.H) 3, Halford (P) 2, Roodhouse (B.H) 1.

FAWKNER 0 CROYDON CITY 1 (Van Egmond 69th)
At Smith Reserve, Saturday. Referee M. Kondogiannis. Cautions Storm (F), M. Runje (C).
FAWKNER: Wilson 6 — Schipano 6, Walsh 7, Hennessy 7, Campbell 5 — Cullen 7, Fraser 6, Traikovski 5, Storm 5 (HT Minacelli — Tuffield 5, Brown 6. Coach Frank McAleer.
CROYDON CITY: M. Runje 7 — Brown 6, Langsbury 7, McIntosh 7, Dobson 6 — Brack 6, Van Egmond 7, R. Runje 6 (french 65th), Campbell 8 — G. Rugje 8, Middlemast 7. Coach Miron Bleiberg.
Ansett best player: Campbell (C) 3, G. Runje (C) 2, Walsh (F) 1.

GREEN GULLY 1 (O'Donnell 71st) THOMASTOWN 0
At Gully Reserve, Saturday. Referee B. Grant. Caution Athersych (T).
GREEN GULLY: Sant 7 — Farquarson 7, Cutler 7, McClelland 7, Grimaud 7 — Wilson 8, Douglas 8, O'Donnell 8, Smart 7 — Cannell 7, Christie 7. Coach Willie Vassallo.
THOMASTOWN: Janakiewski 6 — Mihailidis 7, Pianalto 6, Higgins 6, McMillan 6 — Cristaldo 7 (Di Martino 65th) Dougherty 6, Carfora 6 (Raguso 75th), Lewis 6 — Athersych 7, Rogers 6. Coach Bill Murray.
Ansett best player award: O'Donnell (G.C) 3, Wilson (G.C) 2, Douglas (G.C) 1.

SPRINGVALE CITY 2 (Bozic 25th, Morrey 60th) HEIDELBERG 1 (Morovic 30th)
At Ross Reserve, Saturday. Referee E. Venios. Caution Ousalkas (H).
SPRINGVALE CITY: Mur 8 — Reilly 8, Bryden, Bissinger, Whyte 6 (inj. HT Rolleman) — Findlay 8, Bell 9 Livingstone 9, Bozic 8 — Verechia 9, Morrey 8 (Richardson 85th) Coach Gus MacLeod.
HEIDELBERG: Chatzitrifonos 7 — Kanesoulis 6, Patiniotis 6, Ousalkas 6, Lucchesi 7, Bordignon (Sutbbins 65th) — O'Dell 6, Valentine 6, Anastasiadis 6 — Morovic 6, Raynes 6. Coach Terry Hennessy.
Ansett best player award: Bell (S), Livingstone (S) 2, Verechia (S) 1.

NORTHCOTE CITY 0 RINGWOOD CITY 0
At John Cain Reserve, Saturday. Referee J. Rutter. Caution J. Constantinou (N).
NORTHCOTE CITY: Turudia 8 — Bekiaris 7, J. Leonardos 7, Kouremenos 7, N. Constantinou 7 (Tsangos 75th) — Woodall 8, Thodis 7 (P. Constantinou 66th), Manou 7, J. Constantinou 8 — Gilder 9, Ramos 7. Coach Carl Gilder.
RINGWOOD CITY: Janssen 8 — Meyer 7 (Makin 60th), May 8, Verniers 9, Cummings 7 — Nolan 8, Corvan 7, Maguire 9, Stewart 7 — Kennedy 8, Cocker 7. Coach Hans Petersen.
Ansett best player award: Verniers (R) 3, Gilder (N) 2, McGuire (R) 1.

CAULFIELD CITY 0 MORWELL FALCONS 0
At Princes Park, Saturday. Referee J. Fraser.
CAULFIELD CITY: Madjer 5 — Bitsonis 6, Harris 7, Fattore 5, Filipou 5 — Griffin 4, Alagiozidis 4 (Zolotarev 85th), Theoharous 3, Hamakiotis 4 — Zemunik 2 (Deliginnis 83), Goutzioulis 4. Coach Jimmy Condilis.
MORWELL FALCONS: Reynolds 6 –Bingham(inj. Gotis P. 15th, 6), Bruns 8, Bennett 6, Doyle 5 — Drakeford 6, O'Callaghan 6, Cassar 6 — Webster 7, Stirton 5, Sokoluk 6. Coach Bob McLachlan.
Ansett best player award: Bruns (M.F) 3, Harris (C) 2, Webster (M.F) 1.

PACIFIC TIMBER STATE LEAGUE LADDER

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
HEIDELBERG	19	11	3	5	36	20	25
ST ALBANS	19	9	6	4	29	19	24
GREEN GULLY	19	8	7	4	26	16	23
CAULFIELD	19	8	7	4	29	23	23
Thomastown	19	10	3	6	24	18	23
Northcote City	19	8	6	5	27	20	22
Croydon City	19	8	5	6	22	23	21
Morwell Falcons	19	7	6	5	17	16	19
Ringwood City	19	7	4	8	26	30	18
Maribyrnong	19	6	5	8	30	28	17
Springvale City	19	5	7	7	19	26	17
Bulleen	19	6	5	8	16	24	17
Box Hill	19	4	7	8	23	29	15
Western Suburbs	19	7	1	11	23	32	15
Oakleigh	19	4	5	10	15	26	13
Fawkner	19	4	4	11	12	24	12

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES RESULTS

BULLEEN 3 WESTERN SUBURBS 1
CAULFIELD CITY 3 MORWELL FALCONS 1
FAWKNER 5 CROYDON CITY 2
SPRINGVALE CITY 2 HEIDELBERG 2
MARIBYRNONG 0 ST ALBANS 1
GREEN GULLY 4 THOMASTOWN 2
BOX HILL 1 OAKLEIGH 0
NORTHCOTE CITY 2 RINGWOOD CITY 4

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Northcoty City	19	13	5	1	49	18	31
Fawkner	19	12	2	5	51	27	26
Morwell Falcons	19	10	4	5	38	22	24
St Albans	19	9	5	5	33	31	23
Caulfield City	18	9	4	5	40	25	22
Bulleen	19	8	6	5	45	32	22
Box Hill	19	9	4	6	40	29	22
Heidelberg	19	9	4	6	45	35	22
Ringwood City	19	8	6	5	41	38	22
Croydon City	18	7	4	7	33	24	18
Green Gully	19	8	2	9	38	38	18
Thomastown	18	5	5	8	35	49	15
Maribyrnong	19	6	1	12	34	52	13
Western Suburbs	19	5	3	11	20	50	13
Springvale City	19	2	3	14	19	46	7
Oakleigh	18	1	0	17	22	67	2

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● Darren Tuck of Western Subs "faultless" says his coach.

STATE LEAGUE BEST PLAYER AWARD

24. Harris (Caul.)
23. Duzel (St.A)
22. Roodhouse (B.H)
18. Webster (M.F)
16. Woodall (North)
15. Contini (Bull)
Gilder (North)
14. McIntosh (Croy)
13. Halford (Oak)
Quigley (G.G)
12. Daley (West)
Higgins (Thom)
McKinlay (B.H)
Ramos (North)
11. Anastasiadis (Heid)
Banovic (Heid)
Culina (St.A)
Dougherty (Thom)
Lucchesi (Heid)
Warszawski (Mar)
10. Drakeford (M.F)
Nijholt (Ring)
Patiniotis (Heid)
M. Runje (Croy)
9. Bruns (M.F)
Davidson (B.H)
Innes (Mar)
O'Donnell (G.G)
Tuck (West)
Wilson (G.G)
8. Cannell (G.G)
Hatzilazarou (West)
Keenan (S/vale)
Reynolds (M.F)
Theoharous (Caul)
Verechia (S/vale)
Walsh (Fawk)
7. Bell (S/vale)
Bonk (Mar)
Campbell (Fawk)
Corvan (Ring)
Douglas (G.G)
Kostrazewa (Mar)
McGuinnes (Thom)
Marsan (Bull)
Morovic (Heid)
Pianalto (Thom)
Verniers (Ring)
6. Cullen (F)
Findlay (Spr)
Griffin (Caul)
Janakiewski (Thom)
Kardamitsis (Oak)
Nicolaides (Oak)
Raynes (Heid)
Sokoluk (M.F)

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CAN THOMASTOWN COME BACK?

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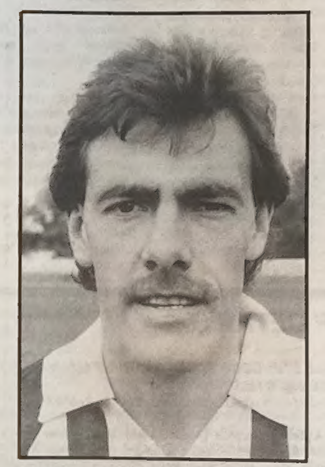

● John Dowie will the Heidelberg supporters let him play.

Leading Goalscorers

12. Kelic (St.A)
11. Morovic (Heid)
9. Goutzioulis (Caul)
Nijholt (Ring)
8. Tuck (Wests)
Woodall (North)
7. Anastasiadis (Heid)
Brown (Fawk)
McGuinness (Thom)
O'Donnell (G.G)
Warszawski (Mar)
6. Brimmer (B.H)
Carfora (Thom)
French (Croy)
G. Runje (Croy)
Popovski (St.A)
Verechia (S/vale)
Zemunik (Caul)
5. Corvan (Ring)
Cozzella (Caul)
De Bono (Mar)
Duzel (St.A)
Kopsaftis (West)
Lujic (Bull)
Pappas (Heid)
Quigley (G.G)
Sokoluk (M.F)
4. Baran (Mar)
Bonk (Mar)
Bozikas (Bull)
Murphy (Oak)
Ramos (North)
3. Athersych (Thom)
Bozic (S/vale)
Burton (B.H)
Campbell J. (Croy)
Campbell G. (B.H)
Davie (Ring)
Findlay (S/vale)
Harris (Caul)
Keenan (S/vale)
McClelland (G.G)
Ousalkas (Heid)
Przbyla (Mar)
Trogrlic (Bull)
Tsangos (North)
Webster (M.F)
2. Alagiozidis (Caul)
Aretis (B.H)
Cassar (M.F)
Constantinou N (North)
Cumming (Ring)
Daley (West)
Deligiannis (Caul)
Dougherty (Thom)
Douglas (G.G)
Drakeford (M.F)
Gilder (North)
Halford (Oak)
Humble (Croy)
Kral (S/vale)
Lewis (Thom)
Lipiarski (Mar)
Livingstone (Oak)
Lucchesi (Heid)
McBride (B.H)
Morrey (S/vale)
Raynes (Heid)
Roupos (West)
Theodosopoulos (Heid)
Thodis (North)
Tsangos (North)
Van Egmond (Croy)
Wilson (G.G)

LAST week's State League round produced yet another crop of results that flew in the face of any form guide as the League seems to get more even every week.

The exceptionally wet weather has proved to be even more of a leveller than we anticipated.

For proof of that you only have to look at this week's League table.

The top seven clubs are separated by only four points, yet the seventh club, Croydon City is in the twilight zone and is concerned about relegation!

A mere seven weeks ago, as winter started in earnest, a certain Heidelberg official was boasting that his club was going t bolt away with the title, and win it by at least five points.

But in those seven weeks Heidelberg has collected only six points out of fourteen and is hanging on to the lead by its finger-tips.

The Bergers face another crunch game this week, away to Thomastown and a loss could see them as low as fourth by Sunday night.

Their superior goal difference will ensure they don't drop out of the top four, but as Thomastown has discovered to its cost there is no such thing as a secure top four berth.

Thomastown had a remarkable run to reach the top four.

After a shock loss in round 13 to bottom club at the time, Western Suburbs, it won four games straight without conceding a goal.

Then it drew and lost its next two games, and dropped out of the top four again.

Even so, it has conceded only two goals in the seven weeks, and probably the most interesting aspect of this weekend's clash will be the battle between one of the strongest defences in the League led by Andy Higgins and the top scoring attack, led by Dennis Morovic.

The departure of gifted John Anastasiadis won't weaken the Heidelberg's attack at all, I feel.

Since the Greek approaches began, the lad has had stars in his eyes, and seems to have been going through the motions.

Terry Hennessy will no doubt find room for Paul Stubbins up front to partner Dennis Morovic and let Willie Raynes play wide on the left.

If he is still in charge, that is.

State League Preview By BRIAN JAMES

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THE time is fast approaching when the State League clubs have to declare their intention, should they win the League, of whether or not to play off for promotion to the NSL.

You would hardly believe that any club having had its fingers burnt once would want anything to do with the NSL again, but I believe that Green Gully has already expressed an interest in rejoining the paupers.

But surely Heidelberg wouldn't have the gall to apply after what president Lew Yoannides said in this paper when he took over at the start of the season.

In an interview with colleagues Les Shorrock in our issue of February 18, Yoannides said and I quote...

"It was a Mickey Mouse decision by a Mickey Mouse League," referring to the Scott Fraser case.

And he went on to say, without mincing his words, "all the NSL clubs are in the red and going further into debt all the time.

"We don't want to go down that track again.

"In fact it is becoming apparent now that relegation from the NSL was the salvation of the club."

By that he meant that the club was left over half a million dollars in debt and it would be making every effort to wipe out the deficit and to its credit it has done so.

So why would it want to join all the other debt-ridden clubs in the NSL?

Come to think of it, the jibe about a Mickey Mouse League rings a little hollow now after the way the club treated Scott Fraser.

If letting the supporters pick the team isn't Mickey Mouse, I don't know what is.

The supporters hounded Fraser out of the club, and now they're trying to do the same to John Dowie.

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LAST week we posed the question, "can Kaz Kulak save Wests?"

Kulak had just taken over, after Jimmy Condilis had dramatically walked out on the club he had served for over twenty years.

Well, Kulak has answered the rhetorical question in the best way possible by chalking up his third win in a row.

So far, to borrow baseball parlance, he's batting 1000% and good luck to him.

Isn't it amazing what a change of coach can do sometimes.

There haven't been any changes to Wests' personnel, yet the team that kept losing under Jimmy Condilis is winning for Kaz Kulak.

Of course, a fellow named Darren Tuck has had a lot to do with Western Suburbs' recent successes.

Colleague George Yelland, who helps considerably with this page has been raving about Tuck recently and I don't blame him.

Frankly, Darren Tuck is wasted in the lower reaches of the State League and it's a great pity that he didn't make the transition to the NSL last year.

He trialled with Preston and then it all fell through, mainly because of his employment position, I believe.

I saw him play near the end of last season and I asked several NSL clubs to look at him.

But as I have found out many times before, most NSL clubs are incapable of doing any scouting for talent locally.

They seem more interested in importing no-hopers from the Balkans than in promoting talent from the lower Leagues as other soccer countries do.

The only NSL coach you will ever see at Saturday State League games is Brian Garvey, the others couldn't care less it seems, and most of them wouldn't even know where the state League grounds were if you asked them.

But to get back to Darren Tuck.

He's a moral to win this year's Rothmans Medal, if some draft referee doesn't send him off in the meantime.

Western Suburbs faces an intriguing clash this week against that other big improver, Ringwood City.

With my fast-growing reputation for giving clubs the kiss of death I almost hesitate to tip Wests again but I think Kulak can make it four in a row.

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THE More level-headed of our State League coaches, whilst agreeing that the standard of refereeing is often appalling, feel that the bad decisions level out in time... some you win and some you lose.

Thomastown's Bill Murray found that out this week.

Two weeks ago, Fawkner was highly indignant about Thomastown's equalising goal, claiming that the ball had been punched out of its goalkeeper's hands.

Last week, it was Thomastown's turn to complain that an equalising goal had been chalked off unfairly for off-side.

Murray claimed his off-side player wasn't interfering with play when the ball went into the net.

It's the swings and roundabouts of the game, Bill.

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I'VE got to admit it... I'm a Caulfield spectator.

No, I'm not, as a coaching friend of mine alleges, a committee member, but I like going to Caulfield on Saturdays because the atmosphere is cordial and sometimes the soccers' good too.

But this season's team has me baffled.

Like the famous curate's egg, when they are good they are brilliant, but when they are bad, they are bloody awful.

In all my years of watching the game, I've never seen a team so consistently inconsistent.

They don't need a coach, they need a crystal-gazer.

Three weeks ago they were comprehensively thrashed and humiliated 4-0 by Thomastown, and you went away thinking that's it, forget the top four.

So what do they do...

● Continued Page 15

SATURDAY: **MORWELL FALCONS** v. Fawkner at North Cringan Reserve, **BULLEEN** v. Caulfield City at the Veneto Club, Oakleigh v Northcote City (draw) at Caloola Reserve. **ST ALBANS** v Box Hill at Churchill Reserve.
SUNDAY: Croydon City v **GREEN GULLY** at Town Park, Thomastown v Heidelberg (draw) at Partridge Reserve, **WESTERN SUBURBS** v Ringwood City at Ralph Reserve, **SPRINGVALE CITY** v Maribyrnong at Ross Reserve.

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GOLD CUP lift out

The going gets tough

SOCCER giants Brazil and Argentina played a scrappy goalless draw in the Bicentennial Gold Cup clash at Melbourne's Olympic Park on Sunday.

The two South American nations, which have won five world cup tournaments between them battled away for 90 minutes without producing much of their famed Latin flair.

As a spectacle it was less than most of the 14,000 strong around had hoped for in the first full international between the two sides in four years.

The match was bogged down in an overcrowded mid-field and was hampered by 33 fouls which earned a total of seven yellow cards from Australian referee Don Campbell.

But the one point gained almost ensured Brazil made the tournament's final, barring an unthinkable upset by Saudi Arabia last night.

Argentina plays Australia in Sydney tonight for the other final place.

Although the match produced few highlights and little to record in the rich history of the two sides neither camp was complaining.

Argentine captain Oscar Ruggeri, although disappointed at not being able to win, said he had expected a tight, close marking game from the opening whistle.

"Nobody wanted to give an inch. Due to the tradition of both teams it has always been the same way," he said.

Argentina, the reigning World Cup champions, made three changes to the side that drew with the Saudis last Wednesday. Among them was the inclusion of experienced defender Sergio Batista who played strongly at the back.

Argentina had the better of the first half but could show nothing for it at the break despite two lone chances from headers by Ruggeri and Rodriguez.

The main talking point of the first half was the bitter midfield battle between two of the smallest players on the park — Herman Diaz the Argentinian who scored two goals in Adelaide, and his opposite number Geovani.

The pair were at each other throughout the game and referee Campbell had to step in to separate them several times.

Geovani began to assert himself with the ball in the latter part of the second half as Brazil finally began to find some width in their attack.

The Brazilians could have stolen the game with two gilt edged chances in the closing minutes.

In the 70th minute, Muller the only remnant from Brazil's 1986 World Cup team, found space on the left and, with virtually his first touch, sent a dangerous cross spinning across goal.

The Argentinian goalkeeper Lois Islas was forced to dive headlong to pluck the ball off the bootlaces of Romario.

Then, three minutes from full time, leftback Jorginho surged forward and Muller popped up in the centre to volley his cross inches over the bar.

Brazilian coach Carlos Alberto Silve was philosophical about the result and, like the Argentinians, blamed a soft pitch for the error-riddled game.

"In the second half we showed we tried to attack but Artentina had a very good defence. It was just a matter of which team had more luck to win the games," Silva said.

Argentina's coach Dr Carlos Bilardo described the match as a classic South Amercian contest between the two teams.

"The mobility and the spectacle were there until the 90th minute," he said.

Bilardo would not say if he would reshuffle the team and include some of his World Cup veterans for the match against Australia.

An indication of the tightness of the game was the fact that Brazil had only one corner in the match and that came in the 72nd minute.

Brazil made one change from the side that beat Australia, bringing in defender Luis Carlos for Nelsinho at right back.

● Brazil's Valdo is tackled by World Cup veteran Batista.

● Batista and Lanzidei swoop on Hamilton Souza.

● Frank Farina runs at the Brazilian defence

● Brazil's Hamilton Souza blocks Batista's clearance.

GOLD CUP DETAILS

ARGENTINA 2 (Diaz 27th, 50th) SAUDI ARABIA 2 (Majed Abdullah 41st, Diaz o.g. 61st.)

At Football Park, Adelaide. Wednesday. Crowd 11,000. Referee B. Harwood.

ARGENTINA: Islas — Cabrera, Dertycia (Aquino 58th), Diaz, Fabbri — Giusti, Ruggeri, Lorenzo, Rodriguez — Lucca, Lanzidei. Coach Bilardo.

SAUDI ARABIA: Abdallah Aldeayea — Saed Break (Youssef Jazea 71st , Zaki Saleh, Ahmed Jamil, Mohammed Abduljawad — Saleh Almutlak, Fahed Mouseibih, Mohammed Soweid, Fahed Hireifi, — Majed Abdullah, Moheissen Jumean. Coach Carlos Alberto Pereirra.

AUSTRALIA 0 BRAZIL 1 (Correia da Costa 39th)

AtOlympic Park, Thursday. Crowd 10,300. Referee R. Lorenc.

AUSTRALIA: Olver — Savor, Yankos, Dunn, Jennings — Wade, Crino, Davidson, Arnold (Bozinovski 73rd) — Farina, Kosmina (Ollerenshaw 65th). Coach Frank Arok.

BRAZIL: Taffarel — Jorge. Ricardo, Aloisio, Ademir, Jorginho, Careca, Romario, Geovani — Muller, Valdo. Coach Carlos Alberto Silva. Nelson, Farias, Silva, Candido Filho — Correia da Costa, Souza. Coach Carlos Alberto Silva.

AUSTRALIA 3 (Farina 40th, 81st, Ollerenshaw 6th) SAUDI ARABIA 0.

At Parramatta Stadium, Saturday. Crowd 11,396. Referee W. Monteverde.

AUSTRALIA: Olver — Savor, Yankos, Dunn, Jennings — Wade, Davidson, Crino, Arnold (Slater 71st) — Farina (Bozinovski 82nd), Ollerenshaw. Coach Frank Arok.

SAUDI ARABIA: Abdallah Aldeayea — Saed Break, Zakeh Saleh, Ahmed Jamil, Mohammed Abduljawad — Saleh Almutlak, Fahed Mouseibih (Omar Bakshowein 65th), Fahed Hireifi, Mohammed Soweid — Majed Abdullah, Moheissen Jumean (Youssef Jazea HT).

BRAZIL 0 ARGENTINA 0

At Olympic Park, Sunday. Crowd 13,000. Referee D. Campbell.

BRAZIL: Tafarel — Luis Carlos, Aloisio, Ricardo, Ademir — Jorginho, Careca (Milton HT), Romario (Edmar 78th), Geovani — Muller, Valdo. Coach Carlos Alberto Silva.

ARGENTINA: Islas — Batista, Cabrera (Dertycia 79th), Diaz, Garre — Giusti, Rodriguez, Lucca, Ruggeri — Lorenzo, Siviski (Lanzidei 51st). Coach Carlos Bilardo.

● Ademir of Brazil is determined to stop Brazil's Diaz....

● .....and he succeeds.

● Australia's Frank Farina tackled by Brazil's Ricardo.

● An unusual view of Paul Wade.

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UNDER DOGS SHOW FIGHT

AS though to prove the truth of the adage that you should never take your opposition for granted, three of our least favoured teams — all hovering at or near the bottom of their respective divisions — put on marvellously brave displays in this round.

Dallas United, marching along happily at the top of Division 3 East, came up against Kew Deaf, a team which has been struggling all season. For over an hour, the Dallas heirarchy was very worried. They had thrown everything at the visitors, but the Kew Deaf Boys, although playing a patched up side through the absence of four stars interstate, soaked it all up. All that stood between the sides after 70 minutes of play was a solitary Dolic goal.

But even Hercules can get tired and eventually the Kew Deaf legs wearied. In the last 20 minutes, Matijas knocked in two goals and Lijovic and Dolic one each.

The final 5-0 scoreline did not do justice to the Kew Deaf side. The game was never as one-sided as that. If raw courage and unflagging good sportsmanship were counted in the scoreline, Kew Deaf would have won by the proverbial country mile. Unfortunately, it is balls in the back of the net which count and Kew Deaf lacked fire-power.

For visitors, John Kearney was again man[illegible].

Dandenong United has been the whipping-boy of Division 2A. In this round, it faced the might and muscle of Dandy Dynamo. It was quite obvious to all the tipsters that the Dandenong lads were in for another thrashing. Four first-half goals to Dandy Dynamo (two each to Gottlieb and Ranca) seemed but the opening of the floodgates.

Unfortunately, someone had forgotten to tell the Dandenong United lads that they were supposed to roll over and play dead.

Coming out after the half-time break, they tore into the dynamos and were speedily rewarded with goals to Fasal and Havilsan. They could well have had a third. It was panic stations for Dandy Dynamo, which instead of building its goal difference, was now forced to defend in numbers, clinging desperately to its lead. In the end, the Dynamos held on to run out 4-2 winners, but they were a relieved group.

This was a match which contained many passages of very good football, and some spectacular ball juggling by Ranca, whose specialty is the over-his-head flip and spin when avoiding a tackle.

A third team normally expected to go quietly, is CSUV. The Salvadoreans, however, did themselves proud against the highly-fancied North Dandenong Sparrows, and went to a 2-1 lead at the 80th minute. As the usual scoreline for CSUV is zero-5, 6, 7, or 8, this was a remarkable turnaround, and certainly will give its supporters a lot of heart.

Perhaps another struggling club which deserves a pat on the back is First Division's Highpoint. The Highpoint combination must have disappointed its many supporters with its lack of success after an outstanding 1987 season. This round it notched up its second successive win when it accounted for Glenroy Doxa United — another club which seemed to be getting its act together in a search for former glory — by a narrow 3-2 margin.

Another club to deserve an honorable mention is Division Three West's Nippondenso. There seemed no way this club could stay in the same park as the rampaging Tottenham.

So much for form. Nippondenso took the game right up to Tottenham throughout, and won a lot of friends despite losing 1-2.

There were very few changes in the leadership of any of the divisions. Middle Park continued on its ruthless run to the championship with a 4-0 win over Australian Airlines. Lots of people, including those at Middle Park, will tell you that the Parkers have not played well for most of this season.

But how much better can you do than to remain unbea ten at the end of the tenth round? The Parkers have conceded one goal in each of Rounds 3, 5 and 7, but have kept a clean sheet throughout the seven other encounters. Couple a nearly impregnable defence with a forward line which knocks in an average of nearly three goals per game, and you have indeed a formidable combination.

Lord help anyone on the pitch with them on the day they do play well!!

Not only does Middle Park lead the First Division by five points, it also has the same lead in Division 1 reserves, and is in the quarter finals of the Mansfield Bunney League Cup and the semi finals of the Invitation Cup. Any takers for the Quadrella?

Altona Ilinden and Hampton Park United did themselves no favors in the championship race when they shared the points in this round, but St Albans Dynamo took the opportunity of consolidating its place in the top four.

At the risk of boring you, we will mention that Division 2M leaders, Fibremakers United, won yet again. Coomoora Spiders tok advantage of their trip to West Footscray Lerian to move back into third spot, five points off the pace. Kings Park Heights, meanwhile, moved a little further away from relegation worries by downing red hot favourites, Northcote United 2-1.

The competition in Division 2A remains intense, with only two points separating the top four sides. Windsor held on to the leadership with a fighting 1-0 decision over Thomastown United, while Rowville United, Flamingo and Dandy Dynamo all kept their positions unchanged with solid wins, the most convincing of which was Rowville United's 7-0 annihilation of Berwick United, with Zoran Bradonjic netting four times.

I swore I would never mention Dallas United again until they dropped a point or, more newsworthy still, two points. But what can you do? Ten wins from 10 outings, a +32 goal difference and a seven point break on its nearest rivals must be worth some mention.

Meanwhile, Essendon Tramway's surge continues, though its dream was nearly turned to a nightmare by a fighting Garden City rearguard action. The Gardeners finally went down by the odd goal in five, but gave the Trammies a terrible fright in the process. Nevertheless, the win moved the Trammies into second spot, a point above Garden City but still seven points adrift of the leaders.

While we cannot see the Tramwaymen making up the leeway, it could be a different story when we come to the final four competition.

Tottenham are still the leaders of Division Three West, sharing the points with St Albans Wanderers, but as the Hams have a game in hand and a far superior goal difference, the Wanderers will need to pull out something extra to take the championship. Altona Heights, also with a game in hand, are nicely placed to move into second should the Wanderers slip.

Nothing was proved in Division 4. With the RAAF Boys away on exercises, the long-awaited showdown with Flemington Floridia was postponed to another day. Salesian College, meanwhile, got the better of a nine goal exchange with Embassy Taxis, to consolidate its grip on third.

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ALL THE DETAILS

DIVISION ONE
(Reserves in brackets)

Austin Airlines 0 Middle Pk 4 (0]3)
Footscray Utd 2 ANZ Bank 1 (1-1)
Hampton Park Utd 2 Altona Ilnden 2 (3-0)
Highpoint 3 Glenroy Doxa Ud 2 (3-3)
St Albans Dym 2 Appollo United 0 (8-1)

Firsts

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Middle Pk	10	8	2	0	28	3	18
Altona Il	10	5	3	2	23	13	13
St Alb Dy	10	4	4	2	19	12	12
H'ton Pk U	10	4	4	2	21	18	12
G'roy D U	10	4	2	4	24	21	10
F'cray Un	10	3	3	4	16	19	9
H'point	10	3	3	4	15	22	9
ANZ Bank	10	3	1	6	16	20	7
Austin Air	10	3	0	7	13	26	6
Apollo Ud	10	1	2	7	6	27	4

Reserves

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Middle Pk	10	9	1	0	35	6	19
Ham Pk U	10	6	2	2	16	8	14
St Alb Ud	10	5	3	2	28	: 6	13
F'cray Utd	10	6	1	3	17	15	13
H'point	10	5	2	3	20	14	11
Glen Dx U	10	4	2	4	20	22	10
ANZ Bank	10	2	4	4	13	17	8
Altona Il	10	2	2	6	10	20	6
Apollo Ud	10	2	0	8	13	35	4
Austin Air	10	0	1	9	6	25	1

DIVISION TWO
Morning

Fibremakers 4 Swinburne 1 (0-0)
Montrose 7 St Bernards OC 1 (11-1)
Northcote Utd 1 Kings Pk Hts 2 (6-1)
W F'cray Lerian 1 Coomoora Spid 4 (2-1)

Firsts

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
F'makers	10	8	1	1	39	12	17
Sth Utd	9	6	1	2	31	16	13
Coom Spc	10	6	0	4	28	16	:2
Montrose	9	4	3	2	23	16	11
N'cote Ud	10	4	2	4	23	21	10
S'vale Egls	9	4	1	4	25	24	9
WF'cray L	10	3	2	5	15	30	8
Kg Pk Hts	10	3	0	7	13	20	6
S'burne	10	2	2	6	19	27	6
St Bern OC	9	1	2	6	10	42	4

Reserves

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
F'makers	10	9	1	0	24	8	19
S'burne	10	7	2	1	34	8	16
S'vale Egls	9	7	1	1	34	10	15
Coom Spd	10	4	0	5	25	21	10
WF'cray L	10	4	1	5	16	23	9
Kgs Pk Ht	10	3	1	6	20	35	7
M'rose	9	3	0	6	27	18	6
N'cote Ud	10	2	1	7	22	34	5
Yth Utd	9	2	1	6	10	22	5
St Bern OC	9	2	0	7	13	47	4

DIVISION TWO
Afternoon

CSUV 2 N D'ng Sparrows 1 (0-3)
Dandenong Utd 2 Dandy Dynamo 4 (1-4)
Preston Pyth 0 Flamingo 2 (2-6)
R'ville Utd 7 B'wick Utd 0 (5-1)
Windsor 1 T'town Utd 0 (5-2)

Firsts

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Windsor	10	8	0	2	34	16	16
R'ville Ud	10	7	2	1	31	13	16
Flamingo	9	6	2	1	33	12	14
Dandy Dy	10	6	2	2	25	11	14
T'town Ud	10	4	2	4	18	16	10
P'ton Py	10	3	3	4	29	21	9
ND'ng Spws	9	2	4	3	19	19	8
CSUV	10	2	2	6	7	35	6
B'wick Ud	10	1	1	8	17	38	3
D'nong Ud	10	1	0	9	12	44	2

Reserves

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
ND'ng Srow	10	9	0	1	34	13	18
R'ville Ud	10	8	1	1	53	7	17
Flamingo	10	7	2	1	44	12	16
Dandy Dy	10	6	1	3	19	20	12
Windsor	10	5	1	4	35	25	11
CSUV	10	3	2	5	10	24	8
T'town Ud	10	3	0	7	13	28	6
P'ton Pyth	10	2	2	6	17	36	6
D'nong Ud	10	1	2	7	17	41	4
B'wick Ud	10	0	1	9	13	49	1

DIVISION THREE
East

Bowater 3 Taxation Utd 3
Dallas United 5 Kew Deaf 0
Essendon Tramway 3 Garden City 2
Laminex 3 Ferris Utd 3
Oakleigh City 0 Keeley Kings 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Dallas U	10	10	0	0	46	14	20
E'don T	10	6	1	3	43	32	13
GardenC	10	5	2	3	21	17	12
B'water	10	4	3	3	23	23	11
Keeley Kg	9	5	0	4	23	10	10
Laminex	9	3	3	3	25	19	9
Tax Utd	10	3	3	4	19	28	9
Ferris U	10	3	2	5	24	32	8
Oaj City	10	1	2	7	13	28	4
Kew Df	10	1	0	9	11	45	2

DIVISION THREE
West

Creswick Town 0 St Alb WZnd 7
Nippondenso 1 Tottenham 2
Nthn X-St Helena 2 Keilor Old Boys
SUnbury 0 Nthn Alt Tarxien 1
Whittlesea 0 Altona Hts 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Tham	9	7	2	0	32	9	16
St Ab Wd	10	7	2	1	23	7	16
Alt Hts	9	7	0	2	28	12	14
Keilor OB	9	5	2	2	13	11	12
Nth X-St H	9	4	1	4	29	24	9
Nth Alt Tar	9	3	3	3	9	6	9
W'sea	10	2	3	5	16	24	7
S'bury	9	2	0	7	7	29	4
C'wick Tn	9	1	1	7	15	29	3
Nipond	9	1	0	8	11	32	2

DIVISION FOUR

Embassy Taxis 4 Salesian College 5
Flem. Florida P RAAF College P
Preston Tramways 3 Westall PIPA 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Flem Flr	9	8	0	1	18	4	16
Flem Flor	9	8	0	1	18	4	16
RAAF Col	8	7	0	1	38	9	14
Salesial Cg	9	5	1	3	19	18	11
Wst PIPA	10	3	1	6	19	31	7
P'tn Tram	10	3	0	7	10	34	6
Emb.Taxis	10	1	0	9	27	35	2

HOW YOUR TEAM FARED

VICTORIAN LEAGUE
Division Two

Doveton 3 Port Melbourne 2

THIS was always going to be a killer game due to the fact that Port Melbourne upset the Doves in the first round winning 3-2.

Once again the Port Melbourne forward line caused the league leaders all sorts of trouble, Port drew first blood with a penalty awarded for a hand ball, from a direct throw in from Pasoukis. It was a loosely-struck penalty which went straight through the middle into the back of the net.

Not long after the Doves, replied but not entirely by their own efforts as Akritidis kicked the ball into his own net.

The match was evenly balanced until Mitsou received a ball over the Doves' defence. He ran towards goal with only the keeper to beat, but was brought down and Michelokopoulos scored from the spot kick. This did not deter the Doves, who pushed hard for the equaliser and got it only five minutes from half time, from a penalty.

The second half opened with some real fire. Doveton took control and the first 20 minutes was all theirs. First the Doves were foiled by a spectacular save from the Port keeper. The goal finally came for Doveton in the 15th minute when a deadly cross was sent over from the right, it sent the goalkeeper back peddling which forced him to palm away, but only as far as Hennessey who made it 3-2 to the Doves.

Port got back into the game but were foiled by a brilliant save from Whiteside after a well hit free kick from the right side was missed. Port was also denied a goal in the 30th minute when they struck yet another free kick which went in the top corner, this was disallowed for off side.

The last real chance of the game came to Kourelis, who missed an open goal from only three metres. This could hav elevelled it for Port Melbourne, but it was not to be.

VICTORIAN LEAGUE
Division 2

Clifton Hill v Waverley City
Played at Clifton Hill Saturday 9th July.

CLIFTON HILL: Kyrgios, Atmatsidis, Bronis, Tyrikos, Vagias, Papageorgiou, Tsihrintzis, Fakos, Lorenzi, Patsakos, Agelopoulos

WAVERLEY CITY: M. Perree, G. Pavlou, Wilson, A. Perree, Adams, Storey, Grimwade capt., Droudge, O'Neill, Tsapatolis, Parkin, Pavlou C.

THIS was a game which was a nightmare for both defences the slippery pitch and patches of gluey mud made it impossible for good football to be played but the spectators were kept interested by not knowing what was going to happen next.

In the first five minutes Clifton Hill pinned Waverley into their own penalty area and when it seemed easier to score the ball was played across the pitch and went out for a throw in.

Waverley came more into it but persisted in playing short balls which got stuck in the mud and when they started playing long balls into the penalty area the Clifton Hill defenders were glad to kick it anywhere to relieve the pressure.

George Droudge had two chances to put Waverley ahead but his first shot went over and the second just went around the post.

Waverley persistance paid off when in a goal-mouth scramble the ball was half cleared and fell into the path of midfielder Storey who hit it with his left foot through a crowd of players into the net.

Waverley was not to keep its lead for long when another long ball was played down the left and with all the players standing expecting the offside whistle Agelopoulos was allowed to carry on and chipped the ball over a back pedalling Perree to equalise for Clifton Hill.

After half time it was all Waverley and O'Neill and Parkin ran for everything and the latter was unlucky when his shot hit the foot of the post and then came a run of balls kicked off the line by Clifton Hill and their hero was fullback Atmatsidis who twice kicked off the line in the same attack and when it looked as though Waverley had gone ahead he did it again.

Clifton Hill regained their composure and the Waverley faithful were starting to think it was to be one of those games when the team doing all the attacking was to lose on a breakaway goal but the coolness of Bobby Adams at the back saved the day.

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Division Four

Holland Park 4 Boronia 1

HOLLAND PARK: D. Boland, E. Dogan (A. Ozcagli H/T), H. Ilgun, H. Ozcagli, A. Czapnik, I. Mirik, D. O'Donnor, R. Akdeniz, S. Saglam, B. Czolnovski, A. Marshall, U. Cinon, F. Colakoglu, F. Taptil. Coach: D. O'Connor.

BORONIA: K. Marsh, I. Williamson, G. Hobson, Dino Milosevic, C. Pavey, D. Bain, D. Tattersallan, E. Amoretti (C. Whyte H/T), G. Radcliffe, D. Morgan, K. White, J. Forbes. Robins. Coach: Ian Williamson.

CELEBRATING its first match at its new home at Anderson Reserve, Broadmeadows, Holland Park, beat Boronia 4-1f.

From the kick-off Holland Park looked the winner. They used style and ground passing to pressure Boronia enough to take the lead at 10 minutes from an own goal.

After more pressure on Boronia the home side went to a 2-0 half-time lead with a header by H. Ozcagli from a corner.

Boronia's two front men Gary Radcliffe and David Morgan had been battling against the wind in the first half an dhad gone close to scoring as had Parks' Sam Saglam and Alex Marshall.

On resuming, Marshall put his side further ahead with a penalty at 51 minutes and a dribble past a defender at 62 minutes to make it 4-0.

With the wind behind, Boronia forced eight corners to the Park's two; Craig Whyte headed on to the crossbar; three close-in shots were parried by world-class keeper Dennis Roland in as many seconds; Dino Milosevic's chip shot was carried just wide by the wind; Darren Rain in full flight and clear was frustrated by Boland; then David Morgan belted a five-star shot and Boland produces a five-star save.

Finally, breaking through in the last minute, Milosevic side footed past Boland after Ian Williamson placed a corner kick to Radcliffe who headed flicks the ball on.

est three for Holland

Best three for Holland Park: Dennis Boland, Alex Marshall, Sam Saglam. Boronia: Gary Radcliffe, Gary Hobson, Ken Marsh.

Boronia's reserves struggled to a 3-2 win against a depleted side that had to borrow senior players.

Boronia's goals came from an own goal, Brett Clarke and Kevin White after being in arrear at half time 2-1.

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE
Division One

Diamond Valley United 0
Regent 0

REGENT: Peruffo, Muccio, Manini, Montemurro, Colla, Aceski, Soccio, Ciccone, Lepore, Santangelo, Lucchesi, Valento, Capriol.

DIAMOND VALLEY: Hamilton, Drapper, Love, Kerr, Litchfield, B. Coyle, Flaherty, Foster, K. Coyle, Dodd, Kelly, McLean, Crompton.

RIGHT from the outset it was obvious visitors Regent were making sure they didn't lose and with United unable to find a way through a packed defence the game was ruined as a spectacle.

The heavy pitch, which caused the cancellation of the reserves' game, didn't help United either. Before the game United lost Frankie Dallas to flu. Stevie Foster was brought in as his replacement.

Regent was content to let United come at it and almost paid the penalty when Coyle hit the bar and Flaherty hit the post. The spectators hoped that Regent would open up in the second half but their hopes were in vain.

In fact the visitors nearly stole the game but Hamilton brought off a fine save. Not a great game but United will have to get used to these tactics as teams pack their defences. This was the first game this year in which United has failed to score.

Despite dropping a point United is still four points clear of its nearest rival and, with the Reserves top of their league, things look good for the run home.

Clayton 2 West Meadows 2

CLAYTON: C. Szabo, C. Perna, F. Pansino, P. Smith, M. Broxham, J. D'Angelo, G. Di Iorio, M. Wells, R. Ruffolo, C. Riccino, S. Bastasin, M. Martino, R. Conte.

WEST MEADOWS: A. Koton, H. Anas, T. Agar, D. Varsan, E. Anas, G. Akyol, W. Akyol, R. Yavhuz, S. Pir, M. Sancartutin, H. Ercingoz, C. Romeno, T. Simsek.

ON A wet and soggy pitch Westmeadows started strongly and within the first five minutes Szabo of Clayton was tested with a 20 metre shot which he pushed over the bar.

Two minutes later from a corner Westmeadows scored when Clayton defenders were caugh tout and an easy tap in put them into the lead.

Clayton fought back quickly with a long ball from D'Angelo which bounced off keeper Koton's chest and was easily put away by Ruffol.

Westmeadows continued to attack with Clayton keeper Szabo Pullin of two great saves to keep the visitors at bay. Late in the second half Di'Iorio passed a great ball through to Bastasin and, with only the keeper to beat he put Clayton back in the lead. With only minutes to go before half time West Meadows broke through Clayton's defense and equalised.

In the second half neither team was able to take control, although West Meadows built up more attacking moves than Clayton.

Good defence by Smith and Broxham held them out and Clayton once Alain had to be content with a draw.

Division Three

South Dandeong 2 Ringwood Rovers 3

SOUTH DANDENONG: V. Ajrovski, R. Lumani, H. Fasal, K. Craven, B. Elmazovski, J. Elmazovski, Y. Gonullu, S. Memedovski (K. Midilli-60 min.), S. Elmazovski, S. Yildirim, M. Jusic.

RINGWOOD: S. Robotham, E. Ruiz, R. Cazaux, M. Pagaini, Da. Santander, R. Diaz, E. Lemos, J. Leiva, E. Nunez, J. Saladrigas, M. Saladrigas.

FROM the start Ringwood handled the heavy conditions better than the home side. Many goal chances were missed at both ends of the field.

Lemos's 22nd minute penalty was easily saved by the South keeper and what might have been a costly error proved of little consequence. But South's poor goalkeeping and a lethargic defence gave the opportunistic Ringwood a sound 3-1 half time lead.

The home team raised its game in the second half and looked capable of snatching the odd goal or two. A 65 minute penalty gave south a chance to get back into the game but Gonullu put the ball wide.

The Ringwood defence kept a tight rein on its lead with Cazaux outstanding. S. Elmazovski's 87th minute well-taken goal came too late to put the home side back on track. Ringwood deserved their win.

Division 2 — Afternoon

Berwick United v CSUV
Dandenong Dynamo v Preston Pythons
Flamingo v Rowville United
N D/ng Sparrows v Windsor
Thomaston Utd v Dandenong United

Division 3 East

Ferris Utd v Dallas United
Garden City v Laminex
Keeley Kings v Bowater
Kew Deaf v Oakleigh City
Taxation United v Essendon Tramway

Division 3 West

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Keilor Old Boys v Nippondenso
N'th Alt Tarxien v Whittlesea
St Alb Wanderers v Sunbury
Tottenham v Creswick Town

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Preston Tramways v RAAF College
Flemington Floridia v Embassy Taxis
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VICTORIAN LEAGUE

Firsts

Nunawading City 1 Mooroolbark 2
Frankston Pines 2 Richmond 0
Essendon City 1 Werribee 1
Broadmeadows 0 Mordialloc 1
Altona Gate 1 Sunbury United 0
Albion 6 Dandenong 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Alt Gt	15	11	4	0	31	4	26
F'ton P	15	10	3	2	29	15	23
Albion	15	8	3	4	23	13	19
M'bark	15	8	1	6	28	21	17
W'gate	14	7	2	5	20	15	16
W'bee	15	4	7	4	20	18	15
M'alloc	15	5	5	5	16	22	15
B'mead	15	4	6	5	12	13	14
Knox C	14	7	0	7	17	19	14
N'wad C	15	6	1	8	18	25	13
E'don C	15	3	6	6	15	20	12
R'mond	15	5	2	8	17	29	12
D'nong	15	2	4	9	8	21	8
S'bury U	15	1	2	12	8	27	4

Reserves

Nunawading 0 Mooroolbark 1
Frankston Pines 1 Qichmond 1
Broadmeadows 4 Mordialloc 1
Altona Gate 5 Sunbury United 1
Albion 1 Dandenong 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Alt Gt	15	10	3	2	46	20	23
M'bark	15	10	3	2	30	16	23
D'nong	15	8	6	1	31	12	22
E'don C	14	7	4	3	33	21	18
B'mead	15	7	3	5	38	22	17
Albion	15	6	4	5	21	20	16
W'bee	14	5	4	5	28	29	14
F'ton P	15	3	6	6	23	25	12
Knox C	14	5	2	7	18	25	12
W'gate	14	3	5	6	22	29	11
R'mond	15	3	4	8	23	35	10
N'wad C	15	4	2	9	10	31	10
M'alloc	15	4	1	10	27	45	9
S'bury U	15	3	3	9	13	33	9

DIVISION TWO

Firsts

Doveton 3 Port Melbourne 2
Yarraville 1 Prah/Brig 4
Keilor 0 Ringwood Utd 0
Eltham ... Sandringham ...
Doncaster Rovers 3 Heidelberg City 1
Altona City 2 North Geelong 0
Clifton Hill 1 Waverley City 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
D'ton	15	10	3	2	24	11	23
S'ham	14	8	5	1	29	13	21
N.G'long	15	8	5	2	28	18	21
C'ton H	15	8	3	4	28	17	19
Keilor	15	6	7	2	23	14	19
Wav Cy	15	5	6	4	29	24	16
Pra/Bri	15	6	3	6	26	24	15
Y'ville	15	5	5	5	18	19	15
R'wd U	15	6	3	6	20	23	15
Don Rv	15	3	5	7	9	18	11
Pt Mel	15	3	4	8	19	27	10
H'brg C	15	3	4	8	12	21	10
Alt Cy	15	2	4	9	19	32	8
Eltham	14	1	3	10	13	36	5

Reserves

Doveton 2 Pt. Melbourne 3
Yarraville 0 Prah/Brighton 4
Keilor 7 Ringwood Utd 0
Eltham 0 Sandringham 2
Doncaster Rvs 1 Heidelberg City 0
Altona City 1 North Geelong 0
Clifton Hill ... Waverley City ...

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
S'ham	15	11	1	3	34	1	23
Pt Mel	15	10	2	3	28	13	22
H'brg C	15	10	1	4	41	30	21
Alt Gt	15	9	3	3	32	22	21
Keilor	15	7	5	3	38	22	19
N.G'long	15	7	4	4	28	18	18
Pra/Bri	15	7	3	5	20	21	17
C'ton H	14	7	2	5	35	30	16
Don Rv	15	7	1	7	27	23	15
D'ton	15	4	4	7	17	25	12
R'wd U	15	3	5	7	24	39	11
Wav Cy	14	3	2	9	17	24	8
Y'ville	15	2	1	12	12	34	5
Eltham	15	0	0	15	14	48	0

DIVISION THREE

Firsts

Corio/Geelong 3 Moreland Pk 0
Morrabbin City Yallourne 2
Lalor United 1 Geelonf 1
Hamlyn Rangers 0 Mornington 2
Coburg 1 Springvale Utd 2
Hawthorn 2 Bell Park 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
G'long	15	11	4	0	37	14	26
S'val U	15	11	1	3	40	18	23
Lalor U	15	8	4	3	30	19	20
Coburg	15	6	5	4	29	18	17
C'inda	14	7	3	4	25	18	17
Bell Pk	15	7	2	6	35	28	16
M'bin C	15	6	4	5	20	25	16
Y'ourn	15	5	4	6	19	19	14
H'thorn	15	5	4	6	29	31	14
Cor/Gee	15	5	2	8	19	25	12
S'lord U	14	6	0	8	25	32	12
M'ton	15	3	4	8	19	30	10
Ham Rg	15	3	3		9	41	9
M'land P	15	1	0	14	19	46	2

Reserves

Corio/Geelong 3 Moreland Park 1
Moorabbin Cty 2 Yallourne 1
Lalor United 4 Geelong 0
Hamlyn Rangers 1 Mornington 1
Coburg 2 Springvale Utd 0
Hawthorn 1 Bell Park 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
M'bin C	14	4		1	27	6	22
C'inda	14	9	2	3	31	15	20
S'lord U	14	9	1	4	36	18	19
Y'ourn	15	7	3	5	31	17	17
M'lnd P	14	7	2	5	27	20	16
Ham R	14	5	6	3	21	18	16
Lalor U	13	7	1	5	34	23	15
Cor/Gee	15	7	1	7	36	32	15
G'long	14	6	3	5	25	23	15
Coburg	15	4	2	9	22	39	10
H'thorn	15	4	2	9	21	49	10
M'ton	13	3	3	7	23	35	9
Bell Pk	15	2	4	9	13	30	8
S'vale U	15	4	0	11	27	49	8

DIVISION FOUR

Firsts

Keysborouth 0 Pascoe Vale 2
Williamstown 0 Rossanna 2
Karingal Utd 1 Langwarrin 2
E. Bruns/Ivanhoe 4 Bentleigh Grn 0
Holland Park 4 Boronia 1
Ferntree Gully 0 Chelsea 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Chelsea	15	10	2	3	26	9	22
R'anna	15	7	4	4	25	14	18
P'vale	15	7	3	5	23	17	17
L'warrn	15	6	5	4	21	19	17
W'town	14	7	3	4	19	19	17
E.Brn/Ivn	14	7	2	5	26	15	16
H'land	15	7	2	6	27	17	16
B'gh Gr	15	6	2	7	23	27	14
FT Gull	15	6	2	7	14	19	14
B'onia	15	5	4	6	20	30	14
K'gal U	15	4	2	9	17	21	10
K'aor	15	1	3	11	10	39	5

Reserves

Keysborough 2 Pascoe Vale 0
Williamstown 2 Rosanna 2
Karingal Utd 0 Langwarrin 1
E. Brunswick/Ivanhoe 0 Bentleigh Grn 0
Holland Park 2 Boronia 3
Ferntree Gully 3 Chelsea 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
B'onia	15	8	6	1	34	10	22
L'wrin	14	8	6	0	29	9	22
Bent G	15	9	4	2	34	19	22
R'anna	15	6	7	2	27	16	19
E.Brk/Iv	14	6	5	3	18	11	17
Keysb	15	7	3	5	31	26	17
P'vale	15	4	6	5	28	24	14
FT Gully	15	4	6	5	30	27	14
W'town	14	3	3	8	23	36	9
K'gal U	14	2	4	8	8	16	8
C'sea	15	3	1	11	15	52	7
Holl Pk	14	0	5	9	14	43	5

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

DIVISION ONE

Firsts

North Sunshine 1 Mossfiel Ranger 3
Melton 0 Brunswick City 2
Malvern City 0 Prahran 0
Diamond Val Utd 0 Regent 0
Clayton 2 West Meadows 2
Central City 0 Ardeer 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Diam V	14	9	4	1	35	15	22
B'wk C	14	8	2	4	29	15	18
C'ton	14	5	8	1	23	14	18
Regent	14	6	5	3	15	11	17
Ardeer	14	8	1	5	24	22	17
M'fiel R	14	6	3	5	18	15	15
W Med	14	5	4	5	30	23	14
M'vrn C	14	5	4	5	23	26	14
Melton	14	5	3	6	22	20	13
Prah	14	5	3	6	24	27	13
Nh Sun	13	5	2	6	16	21	12
B'rat	13	2	0	11	16	39	4
Central	14	0	3	11	21	48	3

Reserves

North Sunshine 3 Mossfiel 0
Melton 2 Brunswick Cty 0
Malvern City 5 Prahran 5
Diam Vall Utd ... Regent ...
Clayton 5 West Meadows 1
Central City 2 Ardeer 10

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Diam Vl	13	11	0	2	44	10	22
B'rat	13	9	3	1	33	17	21
C'ton	14	9	2	3	37	14	20
M'vern	13	8	3	2	44	24	19
Ardeer	14	7	2	5	42	25	16
N. Sun	12	6	3	3	22	11	15
W Med	13	6	2	5	31	29	14
B'wick	14	4	4	6	36	33	12
P'ran	14	4	3	7	28	39	11
Melton	13	4	1	8	21	26	9
M'fiel	13	2	1	10	17	35	5
Regent	13	1	2	10	16	48	4
Cent C	13	2	0	11	12	72	4

DIVISION TWO

Firsts

Kalor 1 Monash Uni 1
Glenroy 3 Monbulk 1
East Geelong 1 Dakleigh Subs 0
Dingley Utd 0 Springvale Cds 0
Cranbourne 1 South Yarra 1
Ascot Vale Cty 2 Waverely Utd 2
Batman United 3 Berwick Cty 5

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Sth Y	15	10	3	2	33	16	23
R'vale	15	7	5	3	30	15	19
G'roy	15	8	3	4	30	19	19
B'wick	15	7	5	3	28	17	19
Ascot	15	8	3	4	25	18	19
E Geel	15	8	3	4	17	11	19
Oak S	15	7	3	5	21	16	17
Mon U	15	7	2	6	21	31	16
Wav U	15	5	5	5	27	26	15
Lalor	15	6	2	7	22	26	14
C'brn	15	3	5	7	29	29	11
M'bulk	15	3	2	10	23	38	8
Ding U	15	1	4	10	10	23	6
Bat Ud	15	2	1	12	9	40	5

Reserves

Lalor 2 Monash Uni 1
Glenroy 2 Monbulk 1
East Geelong 3 Oakleigh Subs 0
Dingley/Skye 0 Springvale Cnd 0
Cranbourne 3 Sth Yarra 2
Ascot Vale Cty 2 Waverley Utd 1
Batman Utd 0 Berwick City 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Ascot	15	10	4	1	34	13	24
Wav U	15	10	3	2	37	12	23
S'vale	14	9	4	1	41	11	22
Sth Y	15	7	3	5	24	21	17
D'ly/Sk	14	6	4	4	31	22	16
Oak S	14	6	4	4	19	20	16
B'wick	15	6	3	6	33	27	15
Monb	15	6	2	7	26	29	14
G'roy	15	5	4	6	30	38	14
Lalor	15	6	1	8	35	33	13
Mon Un	15	6	1	8	27	27	13
E Geel	15	4	1	8	25	33	13
C'brn	14	2	2	10	22	33	6
Bat Ud	15	0	0	15	6	71	0

DIVISION THREE

Firsts

South Dandenonl 2 Ringwood Rovs 3
Meadoww Park 0 St Kilda 1
Kensington Utd 3 Sth S'vale 2
Carrum Utd 2 Uni of MeLb 4
Ascot St Marks 6 Wantirna 2
Brintons 2 Forest Hill 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
S.D'ng	15	11	1	3	45	28	23
Ascot	15	8	4	3	32	19	20
St Kda	15	8	3	4	28	17	10
Un Mel	15	8	2	8	27	17	18
S.S'val	15	6	6	3	34	26	18
B'tons	15	8	2	5	31	33	18
R'wd R	15	5	7	3	31	33	17
F. Hill	15	6	3	6	23	20	15
P'more	13	6	1	6	18	21	13
Pt Ud	14	6	0	8	31	31	12
K'ton U	15	5	2	8	27	31	12
W'tirna	14	4	1	10	20	42	8
Med Pk	15	2	3	10	25	37	7
C'rm U	15	2	2	11	23	40	6

Reserves

Parkmore 4 Port United 3
Meadow Park 1 St Kilda 1
Kensington Utd 2 Sth Springvale 4
Carrum United 1 Uni of Melb 1
Ascot St Marks 4 Wantirna 1
Brintons 7 Forest Hill 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
S.D'ng	14	12	2	0	44	15	26
Un Mel	15	10	2	3	41	17	22
Med Pk	15	8	2	5	33	18	18
W'tirna	13	7	3	3	47	23	17
P'more	14	6	4	4	30	28	16
S.S'val	15	6	3	6	27	30	15
F. Hill	14	4	6	4	22	22	14
Pt Utd	15	6	1	8	31	33	13
Ascot	15	5	3	7	26	30	13
B'tons	14	6	1	7	24	34	13
St Kild	15	4	4	7	25	23	12
R'wood	14	3	3	8	18	39	9
C'rum U	15	2	4	9	15	36	8
K'ton U	14	2	2	10	18	53	6

DIVISION FOUR

Firsts

Northern Utd ... Riversdale ...
Lyndale United 3 Altona Usd 1
Filzroy City 3 Brandon Park 2
Kew Eagles 3 Debney Park 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
R'dale	10	6	2	2	22	12	14
B'don P	12	5	4	3	21	12	14
Altona U	12	4	4	4	22	14	12
Kew Eg	11	5	2	4	15	13	12
F'roy Cy	10	5	1	4	14	13	11
M'ham U	11	4	3	4	13	14	11
L'dale U	10	3	4	3	18	15	10
Deb Pk	11	4	0	7	11	28	8
Nth Utd	8	1	1	6	6	21	3

Reserves

Northern Utd ... Riverdale ...
LyndZle United 4 Altona Utd 1
Fitzroy City 2 Brandon Park 2
Kew Eagles 3 Debney Park 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
R'dale	10	7	3	0	20	3	17
L'dale Ud	10	7	2	1	41	11	16
B'don Pk	11	6	3	2	27	17	15
Kew Eg	11	6	2	3	25	12	14
M'ham Ud	11	6	0	5	22	23	12
Alt Ud	12	5	0	7	28	30	10
F'roy C	11	3	1	7	24	31	7
Nth Ud	9	2	0	7	10	34	4
Deb Pk	10	0	0	10	11	47	0

JUNIORS

UNDER 11

CENTRAL

Clayton 1 Footscray 3
Clarinda B 0 Beaumaris 7
Elwood Utd 1 Bentleigh Grn 2
E/Bentleigh 5 Sandringham 2
Prah/Brighton 5 E. Richmond 2
Hawthorn 1 Caulfield Cty 7

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
F'cray	11	11	0	0	70	8	22
C'ton	11	9	0	2	62	16	18
B'mar	11	9	0	2	53	14	18
Pra/Bri	10	6	0	4	43	19	12
E R'md	11	5	2	4	24	38	12
S'ham	11	5	1	5	31	30	11
C'field	10	5	0	5	42	28	10
E Bent	10	4	1	5	20	34	9
Bent Gr	8	3	1	4	16	20	7
E'wood	11	2	1	8	23	42	5
C'ind B	11	0	1	10	3	70	1
H'thorn	11	0	1	10	2	70	1

EASTERN A

S'vale City A ... Dandenont ...
Wav/Mulg A 2 Mitcham Utd 2
Glen Waverley 4 S'vale Utd 2
Forest Hill 8 Knox City 0
Bulleen 1 Donc Rovs A 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
F Hill	10	8	1	1	45	11	17
M'ham Ud	10	7	3	0	31	5	17
Wav/Mul	10	7	1	2	52	8	15
S'vale C	9	6	1	2	46	15	13
Gl Wav	10	5	0	5	25	21	10
D'nong	9	4	1	4	22	18	9
Don Rov	9	4	1	4	25	25	9
Bulleen	10	4	0	6	18	33	8
Eltham	9	2	0	7	18	53	4
Knox Cy	7	0	0	7	2	44	0
S'vale Ud	9	0	0	9	6	57	0

EASTERN B

Sherbrooke Rg 1 Croydon Cty 3
Doveton 3 Monbulk 1
Sth S/vale B FT Gully 15
S'vale Cty B 0 Clarinca A 9
S'vale Condors 0 Oakleigh 11

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
D'ton	10	10	0	0	45	3	20
C'don Cy	9	8	0	1	45	7	16
M'bark	9	6	1	2	32	8	13
FT Gully	9	5	1	3	34	11	11
Oak	10	5	1	4	29	18	11
Monbulk	9	4	1	4	17	15	9
C'inda A	4	3	0	1	18	1	6
S'brook Rg	9	2	0	7	6	33	4
S'vale C B	10	2	0	8	3	35	4
S'vale Cd	9	1	0	8	9	37	2
S. S'vale	8	0	0	8	2	72	0

NORTHERN A

Fawkner A 15 Bundoora 0
Lalor Utd A 0 H'berg Utd A 10
Regent 12 Rosanna 0
Nth Reservoir 2 Preston A 1
B.U. Juve A Northcote Cty A 1
Lalor 2 Keon Pk 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Fawkner	11	9	1	1	65	4	19
BU Juve	10	7	3	0	44	8	17
P'ton A	11	8	1	2	39	10	17
N. R'voir	11	7	2	2	36	6	16
H'berg Ud	11	6	2	3	34	9	14
Regent	11	6	1	4	46	17	13
N'cote	10	3	3	4	18	18	9
B'doora	11	4	0	7	17	56	8
Lalor	9	3	1	5	16	17	7
Lalor Ud	11	2	0	9	8	67	4
R'anna	10	1	0	9	7	83	2
Keon Pk	10	0	0	10	2	37	0

NORTHERN B

M'land Mead 14 Northcote Cty B 0
SSGX 11 H'berg Utd B 0
Preston B 3 MalvermCty 0
G'borough 3 Lalnr Utd B 1
BU Juve B 1 Fawkner B 0
Ivanhoe 0 Thomastown 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
M'land	11	9	1	1	42	4	19
T'town	10	8	2	0	42	4	18
SSGX	11	7	3	1	47	9	17
Ivanhoe	9	7	1	1	36	6	15
P'ton B	11	4	4	3	27	13	12
M'vern C	11	5	1	5	20	20	11
BU Juve	10	4	1	5	19	15	9
G'borough	1	3	2	6	22	17	8
Fawkner	10	3	2	5	12	20	8
Lalor Ud	8	1	2	5	10	24	4
N'cole C	11	1	1	9	3	76	3
H'berg U	11	0	0	11	0	72	0

PENINSULA

Cranbourne 0 Chelsea 1
Berwick Cty 7 S. S'vale A 0
Hastings 0 Peninsula 15
Baxter 3 Mornington 0
Skye Rvs 2 Langwarrin 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Skye Rv	10	10	0	0	59	3	20
Seaford	10	8	1	1	57	10	17
B'wick Cy	10	8	0	2	56	7	16
L'warrin	10	5	1	4	23	13	11
P'sula	10	5	1	4	30	21	11
Baxter	10	3	2	5	15	21	8
Chelsea	10	4	0	6	22	40	8
S. S'vale	9	3	1	5	13	22	7
C'bourne	10	3	0	7	7	41	6
M'ton	10	2	0	8	8	41	4
Hastings	9	0	0	9	0	71	0

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WESTERN

Sydengam Pk 1 Keilor 0
Altonia City 8 Albion 1
Nth Geelong 5 East Altona 1
Sunshine Park 0 Sunshine Hts 5
Highpoint 0 Green Gully 2
Yarraville 1 St Albans 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
S'hine H	11	11	0	0	53	1	22
St Albn	11	9	0	2	36	8	18
N.G'long	11	8	0	3	55	15	16
S'hine P	11	7	2	2	34	12	16
Syd Pk	11	7	0	4	29	18	14
Alt Cty	11	4	2	5	27	28	10
Keilor	11	5	0	6	15	19	10
Albion	11	3	1	7	14	54	7
Gr Gully	11	1	4	6	12	31	6
E. Alt	11	1	3	7	11	30	5
H'point	11	2	0	9	6	41	4
Y'ville	11	1	2	8	3	38	4

UNDER 12

CENTRAL/PEN A

Cranbourne A 2 Caulfield Cty 3
Karingal B 0 Peninsula 2
Brunswick City 3 Langwarrin 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Caul Cy	9	8	1	0	44	5	17
B'wick Cy	9	8	0	1	28	7	16
L'warrin	10	7	1	2	32	11	15
East Rich	9	7	0	2	24	9	14
P'sula	9	4	1	4	19	15	9
C'bourne	9	1	3	5	9	16	5
K'gal B	7	2	0	5	5	19	4
H'ton Pk	6	1	0	5	7	25	2
C'inda B	8	0	2	6	4	30	2
Prah/Bri	8	0	2	6	5	33	2

CEN/PEN B

Kew Eagles 5 Cranbourne B 0
Mordialloc A 3 Elwood 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
B'maris	8	7	0	1	43	5	14
E. Bent	7	7	0	0	28	1	14
Kew Egls	7	5	0	2	23	7	10
Mord A	8	4	0	4	14	16	8
Elwood	7	2	1	4	20	20	5
Port Mel	7	1	1	5	8	24	3
Dingley	7	1	1	5	13	37	3
C'bourne	7	1	1	5	5	30	3

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UNDER 12

EASTERN A

S'vale City 0 Waverley Cty A 0
Lyndale A Mitcham Utd 2
Nunawading City 0 Croydon Cty 5
Glen Waverley 0 Karingal A 3
Forest Hill 0 Clarinda A 1
Skye Rovers 8 Doncaster A 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
M'cham	11	10	0	1	29	5	20
K'gal	11	9	2	0	23	3	20
C'inda	11	8	0	3	27	10	16
Skye	11	7	1	3	40	15	15
Wav Cy	11	5	4	2	27	9	14
S'vale C	11	6	2	3	28	18	14
C'don C	11	6	0	5	22	15	12
F. Hill	11	2	2	7	10	26	6
L'dale	11	1	3	7	20	33	5
Don A	11	2	1	8	16	39	5
N'wad C	11	2	1	8	17	44	5
Glen W	11	0	0	11	9	51	0

EASTERN B

Lyndale B 8 Waverley Cty B 0
Waverley Mulgrave 9 Box Hill 0
Mooroolbark 7 FT Gully 0
Ringwood Cty 0 S'vale Condors 6
Seaford 5 Berwick 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
L'dale	10	9	1	0	54	3	19
S'ford	10	7	1	2	52	11	15
M'bark	10	6	2	2	42	11	14
W'ley Mul	10	6	2	2	31	7	14
R'wood	10	6	1	3	19	17	13
S'val Cd	10	4	3	3	33	28	11
FT Gully	10	4	1	5	22	27	9
B'wick	10	2	0	8	9	39	4
M'bulk	10	2	0	8	5	36	4
Box Hill	10	2	0	8	7	61	4
Wav Cty	10	1	1	8	11	45	3

NORTHERN A

Preston 4 Lalor Utd A 1
Lalor 0 Heidelberg Utd 2
Nth Reservior 3 Clifton Hill A 2
Bulleen 0 Juventus 2
Fawkner 2 Melb/Croatia A 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Juve	9	8	1	0	25	5	17
P'ton	10	6	2	2	28	15	14
H'berg Ud	9	5	2	2	20	8	12
Nth Res	10	6	0	4	18	16	12
Lalor	9	4	1	4	13	13	9
Mel/Cro	10	3	2	5	15	10	8
Lalor Ud	9	4	0	5	10	12	8
Bulleen	9	3	2	4	8	13	8
Fawkner	9	3	1	5	10	21	7
C'ton Hil A	9	0	1	8	10	34	1

NORTHERN B

Keon Pk 0 Broadmeadows 7
Meadow Park 5 Clifton Hill B 1
Regent 4 Rossanna 0
Essendon Cty 6 Mordialloc B 0
Moreland Meadow 0 Northcote Cty 1
New C'wood Utd 1 Thomastown 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
N'cote C	11	10	1	0	56	11	21
E'don Cy	11	9	1	1	42	9	19
Regent	11	9	0	2	40	9	18
M'land M	11	7	1	3	15	6	16
Mead Pk	11	6	0	5	29	31	12
T'town	11	5	1	5	24	20	11
New Coll	10	4	2	4	22	16	10
B'mead	11	3	2	6	19	37	8
C'ton H	11	2	1	8	8	32	5
Keon Pk	11	2	0	9	14	38	4
M'diall	11	2	0	9	9	47	4
R'anna	10	1	1	8	6	28	3

WESTERN A

Green Gully 5 Ascot Vale A 1
Altona Cty 0 Melton A 1
Altona Gate 2 East Altona 1
St Albans 4 Nth Sunshine A 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Gr Gully	9	6	3	0	26	11	15
East Alt	9	6	2	1	33	9	14
St Alb	9	5	3	1	32	8	13
S'hine Hl	9	4	4	1	17	9	12
Nth S'hine	9	5	1	3	19	12	11
Altona Gt	9	4	1	4	9	10	9
Altona Cy	9	3	1	5	4	9	7
Melton A	9	3	0	6	9	21	6
Ascot Vl A	9	1	1	7	6	30	3
M'fiel Rg	9	0	0	9	1	37	0

WESTERN B

Sydenham Park 7 Ascot Vale B 0
Western Subs B 0 Albion 5
Melton B 0 Maribynong 6
Sunaury Utd 1 Western Subs A 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
M'nong	8	7	1	0	39	7	15
West Sub	8	5	2	1	29	10	12
Albion	8	5	1	2	39	10	11
West Sub	8	4	2	2	24	13	10
Syd Pk	8	4	1	3	33	15	9
W'gate	9	4	0	5	14	33	8
S'bury Ud	8	3	1	4	21	19	7
Ascot Vl B	8	0	1	7	5	49	1
Melton B	8	0	1	7	3	50	1

UNDER 13

CEN/PEN

Berwick City 1 Beaumaris 4
S'vale Utd 11 Mornington 0
BZxter 3 Dingley 0
Skye Rovers 2 Langwarrin 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
B'maris	9	7	1	1	66	14	15
East Bent	9	7	1	1	35	14	15
Dingley	9	6	2	1	45	12	14
S'vale Ud	9	6	0	3	37	22	12
B'wick Cy	9	5	0	4	34	21	10
L'warrin	9	4	0	5	27	24	8
Baxter	9	2	2	5	9	38	6
Sky Rvs	9	2	1	6	9	30	5
M'ton	9	1	1	7	6	42	3
C'bourne	9	0	2	7	5	56	2

EASTERN A

Clayton 3 Waverley Cty 1
Nunawading Cty 4 FT Gully 0
Wav/Mulg 1 Clarinda 4
Seaford 6 Doncaster Rovs 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
C'ton	9	8	0	1	26	8	16
Knox Cty	9	6	1	2	30	10	13
Clarinda	8	6	0	2	21	5	12
N'wad Cty	9	6	0	3	28	15	12
Seaford	8	4	1	3	21	13	9
Wav Cty	9	4	1	4	11	15	9
Wav/Mulg	9	2	4	3	14	16	8
FT Gully	9	3	1	5	11	19	7
C'don Cty	9	0	1	8	5	28	1
Don Rovers	9	0	1	8	7	45	1

EASTERN B

Sherbrooke Rgs 0 Bentleigh Grn 1
Oakleigh 17 Clayton B 1
Frankston Pines 1 Parkmore 0
OakLeigh Subs 3 Chelsea 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
F'ston Pns	10	8	1	1	35	15	17
Bent Gr	8	7	1	0	25	2	15
P'more	9	7	0	2	30	7	14
Oak	9	6	1	2	42	15	13
Oak Subs	9	5	0	4	22	18	10
S'brook R	8	2	1	5	13	13	5
Sth S'vale	8	2	1	5	8	36	5
Chelsea	10	1	2	7	14	17	4
Glen Wav	6	1	0	5	12	21	2
C'ton B	7	0	0	7	2	56	0

NTH/WEST A

Green Gully 12 Keilor 0
Altona Cty 4 H'berg Utd 1
Regent 2 Malvern Cty 0
Essendon Cty 0 M'nong Utd 1
M'land Meadows 0 Fawkner 2
Yarraville 0 Melb Croatia 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Regent	11	11	0	0	36	5	22
Fawkner	11	9	1	1	33	18	19
Mel/Cro	11	7	0	4	32	16	14
Altona C	11	6	2	3	17	10	14
Gr Gully	11	5	2	4	30	15	12
H'berg U	11	4	3	4	17	19	11
E'don Cy	11	4	2	5	20	20	10
M'vern C	11	3	3	5	17	20	9
M'lnd M	11	3	2	6	7	18	8
Y'ville	11	2	1	8	8	23	5
M'nong	11	2	1	8	10	28	5
Keilor	11	1	1	9	6	46	3

NTH WEST B

Sydenham Pk 5 Eltham A 4
Sunshine GX 3 Sunshine Pk 2
Lalor 3 Rosanna 1
Nth Reservoir 0 Northcote Cty 2
Eltham B 1 Clifton Hill 15

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
C'ton H	11	9	1	1	60	8	19
S'hine GX	10	8	2	0	65	6	18
N'cote C	10	8	1	1	54	10	17
T'town	10	7	1	2	34	16	15
Nth Res	9	5	0	4	21	21	10
S'hine Pk	10	4	1	5	38	19	9
Lalor	9	3	1	5	17	26	7
Eltham A	10	2	8	5	21	43	7
Syd Pk	10	2	0	8	15	58	4
Rosanna	10	1	0	9	16	32	2
Eltham B	10	1	0	9	8	110	2

NTH/WEST C

Preston B 6 Albion 1
Keon Park 2 Werribee 4
Footscray 10 Northern Usd 0
Westgate 2 Lalor Utd B 0
Corio/G'long Utd 0 Western Subs 9

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
G'long	10	8	1	1	35	15	17
West Sub	8	8	0	0	37	4	16
Preston	10	7	1	2	31	16	15
W'gate	9	6	0	3	29	17	12
Lalor Ud B	9	4	2	3	18	17	10
Keon Pk	10	2	3	5	21	29	7
Cor/G'long	8	3	0	5	11	24	6
F'cray	9	2	1	6	23	21	5
W'bee	9	2	1	6	16	31	5
Albion	9	0	4	5	16	34	4
Nthn Utd	9	1	1	7	6	35	3

RICOH/S/LEAGUE

Sth S'vale A S'vale Cty A 2
Lalor Utd A 4 Mitcham 1
Nth Geelong 4 Peninsula 2
Bulleen 0 Sunshine Hts 1
Forest Hill 2 Preston A 1
BU Juventus 2 Caulfield Cty 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Lalor Ud	11	10	1	0	40	8	21
S'hine	11	8	2	1	24	6	18
F. Hill	10	7	1	2	22	8	15
P'sula	11	5	2	4	24	17	12
N.G'lng	11	4	4	3	19	19	12
P'ton A	11	4	3	4	16	17	11
BU Juve	10	4	2	4	16	16	10
S'val C	11	4	1	6	22	22	9
M'ham	11	3	1	7	20	30	7
S.S'vale A	11	2	3	6	13	23	7
Bulleen	11	3	0	8	14	28	6
C'field	11	1	0	10	13	49	2

UNDER 14

UNDER 14 A

Cranbourne 3 Waverley Cty 1
Berwick Cty 3 Hampton Pk 0
S'vale Cty B ... East Richmond ...
Mooroolbark A 0 Karingal 6
Prahran/Brighton 1 Clarinda 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
C'inda	9	9	0	0	30	7	18
K'gal	9	8	0	1	34	4	16
B'wick Cy	9	8	0	1	26	8	16
H'thorn	10	5	1	4	15	22	11
S'vale Cy	8	4	2	2	16	18	10
Prah/Brig	10	4	0	6	19	21	8
M'bark A	10	2	3	5	9	21	7
E. Rich	9	2	2	5	14	25	6
C'bourne	10	2	1	7	14	24	5
Hamp Pk	11	1	3	7	14	28	5
Wav Cty	10	0	2	8	9	22	2

EASTERN B

Bentleigh Grn 10 Box Hill 0
S'vale Condors 4 Bye 1
Ringwood Cty 0 Dingley 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
L'dale Ud	7	6	0	1	21	3	12
M'vern Cy	7	5	1	1	36	5	11
Dingley	7	5	0	2	20	9	10
Bent Gr	7	4	0	3	21	10	8
R'wood Cy	6	3	1	2	6	7	7
S'vale Cds	7	2	0	5	12	17	4
L'warrin	6	0	0	6	3	29	0
Box Hill	3	0	0	3	1	28	0

EASTERN C

Monbulk 1 Brandon Pk 2
Pakenham 0 Wav/Mulg 1
Dandenong 1 Oakleigh 9
Seaford 0 Doncaster Rov B 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Don Rvs	9	8	1	0	43	7	17
Wav/Mulg	8	6	2	0	36	4	14
B'don Pk	8	4	3	1	21	14	11
P'ham	9	5	0	4	38	14	10
Seaford	9	4	0	5	23	23	8
F. Hill	9	3	1	5	16	20	7
Monbulk	9	2	1	6	9	41	5
D'nong	7	0	2	5	4	35	2
Hastings	9	0	1	8	4	65	1

NTH/WEST A

Bundoora 1 Sunshine Hts A 2
Clifton Hill 4 H'berg Utd 2
Nth/Geelong 5 East Altona 2
Nth Reservoir 1 Northcote Cty 2
M'land Meadows 0 Prahran/Slav 3
Brunswick City 1 Preston 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Prah/Slav	11	8	3	0	33	9	19
Preston	11	8	2	1	30	5	18
B'wick C	11	6	1	4	32	19	13
M'land	11	5	3	3	19	12	13
S'hin Ht	11	6	1	4	20	18	13
Clifton H	11	4	4	3	31	23	12
East Alt	11	5	2	4	16	22	12
N G'long	11	5	1	5	23	25	11
H'berg U	11	3	2	6	20	27	8
N'cote C	11	3	1	7	15	25	7
B'doora	11	2	0	9	15	34	4
N. Res	11	1	0	10	7	42	2

NTH/WEST B

Lalor Utd 3 Footscray 5
Sunshine Pk 1 Greensborough 4
Ascot St Marks 0 Northern Utd 2
Essendon Cty 6 Ascot Vale 0
Werribee 3 Pt Melbourne 0
Sunshine Hts B 9 Holland Pk 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
E'don Cy	11	10	1	0	51	5	21
F'cray	11	9	1	1	55	13	19
Nthn Ud	10	7	0	3	34	15	14
W'bee	11	6	2	3	28	11	14
Ascot Vl	11	6	2	3	23	19	14
AscotSM	11	4	1	6	21	21	9
G'rough	10	4	1	5	18	22	9
Lalor Ud	9	4	1	4	14	24	9
S'hin Ht	11	3	1	7	24	34	7
S'hin Pk	11	2	2	7	18	52	6
Pt Melb	11	2	0	9	14	42	4
Holland Pk	9	0	0	9	2	44	0

NTH/WEST C

Melbourne Croatia B 1 Lalor 3
George Cross 3 Albion 0
East Geelong 0 Altona Gate 4
Brunswick Cty 6 Meadow Park 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Altona	9	7	2	0	32	3	16
George X	9	6	3	0	25	8	15
Albion	8	5	1	2	24	8	11
Mead Pk	9	3	4	2	17	16	10
Lalor	8	3	2	3	13	8	8
B'wick Cy	7	4	0	3	14	11	8
E. G'long	9	2	4	3	14	12	8
S'bury Ud	8	1	3	4	7	18	5
Mel/Cro B	9	1	1	7	15	37	3
Meltnn	8	0	0	8	5	35	0

RICOH S/LEAGUE

Sth/S/Vale 0 Mitcham 0
Altona Cty 2 A'vale Cty A 0
Western Subs 1 Doncaster A 2
Caulfield Cty 2 Fawkner 1
St Albans 1 Juventus 3
Thomastown 0 Melb/Croatia A 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Mel/Cro	11	11	0	0	38	4	22
Juve	10	7	1	2	21	9	15
D'cast A	10	7	0	3	20	9	14
West Sb	11	6	1	4	17	16	13
Mitcham	11	5	2	4	13	10	12
S.S'vale	11	5	2	4	17	15	12
St Alban	11	5	0	6	18	27	10
Fawkner	11	2	4	5	12	15	8
T'town	11	3	1	7	21	25	7
Altona C	10	3	0	7	14	29	6
S'vale C	11	2	1	8	9	21	5
C'field C	10	2	0	8	7	26	4

UNDER 15

EASTERN A

Caulfield Cty 6 Chelsea 0
East Richmond 0 Wav/Mulg A 3
Bulleen 1 S'vale Utd 1
Mooroolbark 1 Mornington A 4
Forest Hill 3 Clarinda 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Caul Cy	10	8	2	0	44	11	18
Wav/Mul	10	7	3	0	33	4	17
Aulleen	10	7	1	2	36	12	15
M'ton A	11	5	2	4	26	13	12
E. Rich	10	3	3	3	24	19	11
F. Hill	10	5	1	4	19	22	11
C'inda	10	4	0	6	27	29	8
S'vale U	10	3	2	5	21	27	8
Chelsea	10	2	0	8	11	29	4
M'bark	10	0	0	10	8	70	0

EASTERN B

Berwick Cty 1 Mitcham Utd 0
Croydon Cty B 2 FT Gully 1
S'vale Condors 4 Dandenong 1
Doncaster Rvs 4 Glen Waverley 3
Keysborough 1 Sth/S'vale 5

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
S.S'vale	10	9	1	0	58	11	19
B'wick C	11	7	2	2	29	13	16
D'nong	11	7	2	2	27	13	16
K'borough	11	6	3	2	36	19	14
Doveton	10	4	1		16	20	10
C'don C B	11	4	2	5	15	24	10
S'vale Cd	11	4	1	6	34	35	9
Don Rov	8	3	1	4	20	32	7
M'cham Ud	8	3		5	10	12	6
FT Gully	9	1	3	5	14	27	5
M'ton B	7	1	0	6	4	21	2
Glen Wav	9	0	1	8	9	45	1

NTH WEST A

Preston B 3 Lalor 0
George Cross A 3 Malvern Cty 0
Nth Geelong 2 East Altona 1
Geelong Cty 0 M'nong Utd 4
New C'wood Utd 0 Fawkner 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
GeorgeX	10	1	9	0	23	1	19
T'town	10	8	0	2	28	12	16
N.G'long	10	7	1	2	23	8	15
Eawkner	10	6	2	2	23	14	14
L'vern Cy	10	5	2	3	23	12	12
M'nong U	10	4	2	4	21	18	10
P'ton B	10	4	1	5	16	17	9
New Coll U	9	3	0	6	17	25	6
East Alt	9	1	1	7	7	21	2
Lalor	10	1	0	9	7	25	2
G'long C	10	1	0	9	8	43	2

NTH/WEST B

Bundoora 3 Footscray 9
George Cross B 2 Northcote Cty A 0
Regent 1 M'land Mead 0
Brunswick Cty 1 Melb Croatia 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Mel Cro	9	6	2	1	24	10	14
Regent	9	4	4	1	17	5	12
F'cray	8	4	2	2	21	10	10
M'land	9	4	2	3	19	8	10
Juve B	9	4	2	3	19	16	10
George X	8	5	0	3	12	13	10
N'cote Cy A	9	2	4	3	14	14	8
A'wick Cty	8	2	2	4	9	13	6
Pascoe Vl	6	2	0	4	9	15	4
B'doora	9	0	0	9	7	47	0

NTH/WEST C

Altona Gate B 1 Mordialoc 3
Corio/G'long 1 Sydenham Pk 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
M'dialloc	7	5	1	1	20	5	11
Cor/G'long	7	3	2	1	15	8	9
Altona Gt	6	3	0	2	20	8	8
Albion	7	4	0	3	17	15	8
Lalor Ud	7	2	1	4	6	17	5
N'cote Cy	5	2	0	3	6	12	4
G'borough	7	2	0	5	10	20	4
Syd'hm Pk	6	1	1	4	5	14	3

RICOH LEAGUE

S'vale Cty 0 Croydon Cty 0
Oakleigh 1 H'berg Utd 2
N'v ading Cty 0 Sth Melb 5
Green Gully 1 Altona Gate A 0
BU Juve A 3 St. Albans 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Croy Cy	11	7	3	1	26	4	17
P'ton A	9	6	3	0	23	7	15
BU Juve	10	5	4	1	23	11	14
H'berg Ud	10	6	1	3	22	17	13
Altona Gl	9	4	2	3	16	10	10
Gr Gully	11	5	0	6	16	30	10
St Albans	11	3	3	5	18	21	9
N'wad Cty	11	4	1	6	12	23	9
Oak	10	2	4	4	18	16	8
Y'ville	9	1	1	5	12	23	6
S'vale Cy	10	1	4	5	12	23	6
Sth Melb	9	1	1	7	10	24	3

UNDER 16

EASTERN A

Clayton 3 Croydon Cty 0
Nunawading Cty 1 OakLeigh A 5
Mooroolbark 2 Karingal A 1
Hawthorn 8 Doncaster Rov A 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Clayton	10	8	1	1	38	8	17
Oak A	10	7	2	1	36	11	16
Sth Melb	9	6	3	0	59	9	15
H'thorn	10	6	2	2	29	19	14
C'field Cy	9	6	2	1	27	17	14
M'bark	10	5	0	5	16	22	10
Pra/Bri	10	2	2	5	21	19	7
N'wad Cy	10	3	1	6	23	38	7
Karingal	10	2	2	6	11	29	6
Karingal	10	1	0	9	12	59	2
Don Rv A	10	0	0	10	10	52	0

EASTERN B

Cranbourne 5 Oakleigh B 2
Karingal B 0 Box Hill 12
SeAford 3 East B'leigh 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Box Hill	9	9	0	0	54	11	18
Seaford	9	8	0	1	39	15	16
Oak Subs	9	6	1	2	29	15	13
Oak B	9	5	0	4	27	34	10
C'bourne	9	3	1	5	19	23	7
S'vale Cy B	8	3	0	5	20	21	6
Sky Rv B	9	3	0	6	16	18	6
East Bent	9	3	0	6	23	34	6
K'ingal B	9	2	2	5	17	43	6
Monbulk	8	0	0		3	33	0

NTH/WEST A

Thomastown 1 M'land Meadows 1
Fawkner 2 H'berg Utd 1
Essendon Cty 2 Bulleen 9
Juventus 1 Northcote Cty A 2
St Albans 2 Mossfiel Rgs 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
St Albans	8	6	1	1	27	8	13
Fawkner	9	6	1	2	25	13	13
Bulleen	9	4	2	1	23	13	12
Moss Rgs	9	5	1	3	22	13	11
T'town	8	4	1	3	16	11	9
M'land M	10	2	4	4	23	28	8
H'berg U	9	3	2	4	10	16	8
N'cote Cy A	9	3	1	5	17	25	6
E'don Cty	8	2	1	5	19	32	5
Juve	8	0	2	6	7	22	2

NTH/WEST B

BYES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Albion	6	4	1	1	25	8	9
G'borough	6	3	2	1	16	8	8
W'bee	6	3	1	2	25	17	7
Syd'm Pk	5	5	0	2	20	21	6
West Sub	5	1	2	2	12	14	4
S'hine Pk	6	2	0	4	10	36	4
Nthn Utd	6	1	0	5	9	14	2

RICOH S/LEAGUE

Preston 3 Waverley Cty 0
Footscray 2 East Rich 4
S'vale Condors 1 Grn Gully 19
Geelong Cty ... Altona Gate ...
Skye Rovs A 1 Melb Croatia 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Gr Gully	10	7	3	0	43	14	17
Mel/Cro	10	7	3	0	46	18	17
Altona Gl	9	6	2	1	38	10	14
Skye Rv A	9	6	0	3	20	12	12
G'long Cy	9	4	4	1	16	12	12
East Rich	10	5	0	5	24	20	10
Preston	11	4	2	4	20	18	10
F'cray	10	2	3	5	18	25	7
S'vale Cy A	9	1	8	5	9	19	5
Wav Cy	10	1	1	8	12	32	3
S'vale Cd	10	0	1	9	9	74	1

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EASTERN

Clayton 3 S'vale Condors 2
Bye ... Malvern Cty ...
Mooroolbark 2 S'vale Utd 4
Bulleen 3 Elwood 1
Seaford 2 Sth Melbourne 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Malvern C	9	9	0	0	60	9	18
Sth Mel	9	7	0	2	29	9	14
Bulleen	9	6	1	2	23	9	13
Seaford	9	6	0	3	26	17	12
S'vale Ud	9	4	2	3	22	27	10
L'dale Utd	9	4	0	5	15	24	8
S'vale Cd	9	2	1	6	10	32	5
Elwood	9	2	0	7	16	31	4
M'bark	9	2	0	7	16	42	4
Clayton	9	1	0	8	13	30	2

NORTHERN

Clifton Hill 14 H'berg Cty 0
Altona City 1 Juventus 3
Nth G'long 4 Fawkner 1
Mordialloc 1 Bell Park 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
BU Juve	8	8	0	0	34	5	16
Nth G'long	7	6	0	1	37	5	12
Fawkner	8	6	0	2	23	16	12
Clifton H	8	5	0	3	39	12	10
Melb/Cro	7	3	1	3	22	12	7
H'berg Cy	8	2	1	5	11	40	5
Bell Park	8	2	0	6	9	45	4
Altona Cy	8	1	1	6	13	28	3
M'dialloc	8	1	1	6	11	31	3
N'cote Cty	2	0	0	2	0	5	0

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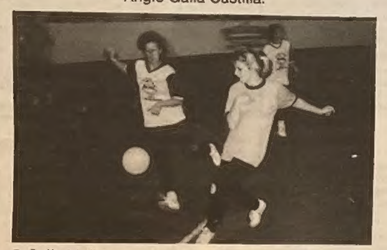
Michelle Gillies, Sally Melbourne, Denise Van Egmond, Marie Van Egmond, Donna Rowbotham, Angie Galia Castilla.



● Sally Melbourne scores a hat trick in the Grand Final challenged by Jenny from the JAFFAS.

● 3rd & 4th Playoffs Smokers vs. Gabrialla Denise Spencely clears from Paula Pagani.

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● Jaffas keeper Gordy makes a great save applauded by Caroline & Michelle in Ladies Grand Final.

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Saturday July 16
Sunshine George Cross v
Adelaide City .....
Brisbane Lions v
Wollongong City .....
Wednesday July 20
Sydney Olympic v
Melbourne Croatia ....
Marconi v
Footscray .....
Brunswick Juventus v
St. George.....
Thursday July 21
South MelboUrne v
Sydney Croatia...../.

STATE LEAGUE
Saturday July 16th
Morwell Falcons v
Fawkner.....
Bulleen v
Caulfield Cty ../.....
Oakleigh v
Northcotd City.....
St Albans v
Box Hill.....
Sunday July 17th
Croydon City v
Green Gully .....
Thomartown v
Heidelberg.....
Heidelberg Utd.....
Westdrn Suburbs v
Ringwood City .....
Springvale City v
Maribynong.....

VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE
Saturday July 16th
Knox City v
Albion .....
DZndenong v
Altona Gate .....
Sunbury Unitec v
Broadmeadows Cty ....
Westgate v
Moorooibark.....
Sunday July 17th
Mordialloc v
Essendon City .....
Werribbee v
Frankston Pines.....
Richmond v
Nunawading City.....

DIVISION TWO
Saturday July 16th
Altona City v
Clifton Hill .....
Waverley City v
Doncasteq Rovers .....
Heidelberg City v
Eltham.....
Sandringham City v
Keilor.....
Ringwood United v
Yarraville.....
Prahran/Brighton v
Doveton.....
Nth Geelong v
Port Melbourne .....

DIVISION THREE
Saturday July 16th
Coburg v
Hawthorn.....
Bell Park v
Clarinda.....
Seaford United v
Hamlyn Rangdrs .....
Mornington v
Lalor United.....
Geelong v
Moorabbin City ./.....
Yallourne v
Corio/Geelong Utd....
Springvale Utd v
Moreland Pk Rangers...

DIVISION FOUR
Saturday July 16th
East Brunswick/Ivanhoe v FT Gully .....
Chelsea v
Holland Park .....
Boronia v
Karingal United .....
Langwarrin v
WilliZmstown .....
Rosanna v
Keysborough.....
Bentleigh Greens v
Pascoe Vale ../.....

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

DIVISION ONE
Saturday July 16th
Ballarat v
Central City .....
Ardeer v
Clayson .....
Westmeadows v
Diamond Valley Utd...
Regent v
Malvern City ..../....
Prahran v
Melton .....
Brunswick City v
North Sunshine .....
Bye v
MossfiEl .....
Bye v
Mossfiel.....

DIVISION TWO
Saturday July 16th
Ascot Vale City v
Batman United.....
Berwick City v
Cranbourne.....
Sth Yarra v
Dingley/Skye Utd .....
Springvale Condors v
East Geelong .....
Oakleigh Subt rbs v
Glenroy .....
Monbulk v
Keilor.....
Waverley/Mulg Utd v
Monash Uni .....
Bye v
Latrobe University..../
Diggers Rest v
Melbourne Uni.....
Collingwood Cty v
Northern Suburbs .....
Anstey United v
Bye.....
Balwyn City v
Phillip Institute.....

DIVISION TWO
Sunday July 17th
Old Scotch v
Furlan United.....
Oakleigh United v
R.M.I.T. .../.....
Maccabi v
Upfield.....
Diamond Valley v
Yarra United.....
Intercity v
Camberwell GrZm.....
East Richmond v
Concorde.....

DIVISION THREE
Saturday July 16th
Ascot St Marks v
Brintons.....
Forest Hill v
Carrum United.....
Uni Of Melb v
Kensington Utd .....
Sth S'vale v
Meadow Pk.....
St Kilda V
Sth Dandenong.....
Ringwood Rovers v
Parkmore.....
Wantirna v
Port United.....

DIVISION FOUR
Saturday July 16th
Mitcham Utd v
Kew Eagles .....
Debney Park v
Fitzroy City .....
Brandon Park v
Lyndale United .....

AMATEUR LEAGUE DIVISION ONE
Sunday July 17th
Waverley Wanderers v
Hawthorn Utd .....
Endeavour Hills v
Keilor United.....

BRIAN JAMES

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they go to Croydon and win 3-0 in a canter!

Hello, you think, they can't be so bad after all, and back you go for another serve, this time against Morwell Falcons.

Now Falcons had lost three first-team defenders, had Effie Cassar recovering from 'flu and Harry Bingham as it transpired, unfit to play.

Before the game Bob McLachlan would have been happy to settle for a draw, at the end he was unhappy that his team hadn't won, so badly did Caulfield play. But hope springs eternal.

After the game the talk in the Caulfield dressing room was all about how they were still in the top four and in with a good shout of winning the League!

Forget it, lads.

Caulfield's best chance of staying in the four is for me to tip them consistently to lose from now on.

That way I might, I just might, provoke them into winning the odd game.. that is if the midfield will stand up and be counted.

This weekend's games, probably winners in capitals (says he jokingly):

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE

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Division One
Altona Ilinden v. St Albans Dynamo
ANZ Bank v Hampton Park Utd
Apollo United v Austn Airlines
Glenroy Doxa Utd v Footscray United
Middle Park v Highpoint

Division 2 — Morning
Coomoora Spiders v Fibremakers
Kings Pk Heights v W F'scray Lerian
Sp'vale Eagles v Northcote United
St Bernards OC v Youth United

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Steve Maxwell

Charlie Egan

BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS v ST. GEORGE

OLYMPIC PARK
WEDNESDAY JULY 20th
K.O. 7.30 PM

Craig Moffitt

Danny Wright

SOUTH MELBOURNE v SYDNEY CROATIA

OLYMPIC PARK
THURSDAY JULY 21st
K.O. 7.30 PM

Graham Arnold

BRISBANE LIONS v WOLLONGONG CITY
RICHLANDS SATURDAY JULY 16th K.O. 2.30 pm

SYDNEY OLYMPIC v MELBOURNE CROATIA
SYDNEY FOOTBALL STADIUM WEDNESDAY JULY 20th K.O. 7pm

MARCONI v FOOTSCRAY
MARCONI STADIUM WEDNESDAY JULY 20th K.O. 6.45pm